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Millet

Colorado is the number one millet producing state in the nation, with 260,000 acres producing more than 8 million bushels each year.



Tips & Nutrition

What's Millet? Millet is a grain that is most often found in bird seed blends; however, this gluten-free grain is also gaining popularity in many recipes.



FreshInspirations...

Grilled Vegetable and Millet Salad Ingredients

- 1 Cup White Millet, rinsed
- 2 Cups Vegetable Stock
- 1 Tbsp. Olive Oil
- 1 Cup Currants
- 1/2 Cup Feta Cheese, crumbled
- 1/2 Cup Greek Dressing

1/2 Cup Zucchini, cubed

1/2 Cup Yellow Squash, cubed

1/2 Cup Red Bell Pepper, cubed

1/2 Cup Cauliflower, cubed

1/2 Cup Carrots, cut into coins

Directions

Season, grill and cool zucchini, squash, bell pepper, cauliflower and carrots then keep chilled. Using a medium-sized stock pot, turn the heat to medium high. Toast millet in the pot until a nutty smell develops and millet starts to crackle, then remove from heat. Slowly add the vegetable stock and cook for approximately 20-25 minutes or until millet is tender. Spread millet on cookie sheet then cool to room temperature. In a mixing bowl add the cooled millet, oil, currants, cheese and dressing. Mix well and adjust seasoning as needed. Serve on a platter arranging the millet around the outer edges, mixed grilled vegetables in the center and garnish with more cheese.

Enjoy with a glass of Colorado wine such as Cabernet Sauvignon from Whitewater Hill Vineyards in Grand Junction, Colorado.

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