



BEET & FENNEL SALAD WITH BALSAMIC VINAIGRETTE

SERVES: Makes 6 SERVINGS PREP TIME: 30 MINUTES

INGREDIENTS

- 1 large or 2 small bulbs fennel with leaves attached
- 1 small Granny Smith apple, cut into thin slices
- 1/2 cup thinly sliced red onion
- 6 cups mixed salad greens
- 1 jar (16 ounces) Aunt Nellie's Sliced Pickled Beets, drained
- 1/4 cup shaved Parmesan cheese

Dressing:

- 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
- 2 teaspoons Dijon-style mustard
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 teaspoon chopped fennel leaves
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

INSTRUCTIONS

 Cut off stem and leaves of fennel; reserve leaves. Cut bulb in half lengthwise; remove and discard core. Slice bulb crosswise into thin slices (about 2 cups). Chop 1 teaspoon fennel leaves and set aside for dressing. Combine sliced fennel, apple and red onion in a large bowl.

- To make dressing, combine balsamic vinegar and mustard in small bowl; whisk in oil.
 Add fennel leaves, salt and pepper.
- Divide greens equally among six salad plates. Pour dressing over fennel mixture and toss until well coated. Arrange fennel mixture on greens; top with sliced beets and Parmesan.

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