RECIPE

Apple Harvest Salad with Holiday Spiced Nuts



Ready in **30 minutes**Serves **8 people**

For the Holiday Spiced Nuts

- 1½ cups pecans
- 1½ cups walnuts
- 2 TBS maple syrup
- 1 TBS brown sugar
- 1 pinch flakey sea salt
- ¼ tsp Cayenne pepper
- 1 TBSP olive oil

For the salad

- 2 TBSP lemon juice
- 2 large golden delicious Apples
- 2 large pink lady apples
- 1 Anjou pear
- 1 head endive lettuce
- 8 oz gorgonzola cheese

For the Apple Cider Dressing:

- % cup olive oil
- ¼ cup apple cider vinegar
- 3 TBS honey
- 3 TBS tahini
- 1 pinch salt
- 1 pinch pepper
- 2-3 sprigs fresh thyme

Preparation

1. Preheat the oven to 350. Add the nuts to a large mixing bowl. Stir together the syrup, spices, and oil, and drizzle over the nuts. Stir to coat. Spread the nuts on a parchment lined baking sheet and bake for 10 minutes and set aside.

- 2. In the meantime, slice the apples, pear, and toss in the lemon juice to keep from browning. Add the endive leaves and toss to combine. Set aside.
- 3. Make the dressing: combine all the ingredients in a jar, and shake or whisk to combine.
- When ready to serve, pour the dressing over the apples, pear, and endive.
 Sprinkle the top with the spiced nuts and top with gorgonzola. Serve immediately.

Tips

Leave the dressing on the side and let guests dress their own salad!