Tabbouleh with pomegranate & parsley

Serves 4-6



Ingredients (allergens in bold)

- 250g couscous
- 1 tsp vegetable stock powder or crumbled stock cube made up with 300ml boiling water
- 1 clove garlic, peeled and crushed
- 1 yellow pepper, deseeded and diced
- 4 spring onions, cleaned and finely sliced
- 1 carrot, scrubbed and coarsely grated
- 2 tomatoes, finely chopped
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 1 lemon
- pinch salt and freshly ground pepper
- 75g pomegranate seeds (optional)
- small bunch of flatleaf parsley, finely chopped

Method

- 1. Put the couscous in a mixing bowl and pour on the boiling stock. Give it a stir then cover the dish with a plate to keep the steam in.
- 2. Prepare the garlic, pepper, spring onions, carrot and tomatoes as outlined in the ingredients list and put them in a bowl. Drizzle in the oil.
- 3. Zest and juice the lemon and add to the bowl of vegetables with some salt and pepper. Mix well and leave to stand for 5 minutes.
- 4. Take the plate off the bowl of couscous and fluff it up with a fork.
- 5. Add the couscous to the vegetables and mix well.
- 6. Turn the salad into a serving dish and scatter with chopped parsley and pomegranate seeds if using them.



Equipment

- 2 mixing bowls
- measuring jug
- plate to make a lid for the bowl
- chopping board
- sharp knife
- zester or grater
- lemon squeezer
- measuring jug
- kitchen scissors
- fork
- tablespoon

Recipe notes and tips

- Couscous is made from wheat so not suitable for people who are intolerant to gluten.
- Other fruit and vegetables that work well in a couscous salad are sweetcorn, chickpeas, raisins, dried cranberries, peas and courgettes.