

# **Quinoa and Roasted Sweet Potato Jar Salad**



4 servings

40 mins prep | 50 minutes total time

Per serving: 606 calories 70 g carbs 16 g fiber 30 g fat 16 g protein

## **Ingredients**

- 1 1/2 cups quinoa cooked, cooked
- 2 cups sweet potato, cubed and roasted
- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 red bell pepper, sliced
- 1 red onion, diced
- 2 cups black beans, rinsed and drained
- 1/3 cup pumpkin seeds
- 8 cups baby spinach

# Dressing Ingredients

- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 4 balsamic vinegar
- 2 tsp dijon mustard
- 2 tsp maple syrup
- salt and pepper, to taste



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### **Directions**

#### **Prep**

- 1. **Cook quinoa** according to directions. You can also purchase frozen, pre-cooked quinoa and defrost.
- 2. **Roast sweet potatoes**: Wash 2 sweet potatoes and cut into bite-sized pieces. Toss with 1 tbsp of olive oil, salt and pepper to taste. Arrange in a single layer on a lined baking sheet. Bake at 400° for 20 minutes or until tender. Note: *You can use any pre-roasted vegetable in place of the sweet potatoes*.
- 3. **Slice** bell pepper, red onion, drain black beans, wash baby spinach.

#### Make

- Dressing: Whisk together olive oil, balsamic vinegar,
  Dijon mustard, maple syrup, salt, and pepper in a small bowl.
- 2. **Layer**: In 4 mason jars, start with the dressing. Add layers of red bell pepper, red onion, cooked quinoa, roasted sweet potatoes, black beans, and pumpkin seeds. Top with baby spinach.
- 3. **Chill & Serve**: Seal the jars and refrigerate. When ready to eat, invert into a bowl, toss well, and savor every bite!



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