

The Edible Garden

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Couscous on the Loose in Zucchini Boats By: Lorraine Mull, Growing Chefs Instructor

Ingredients (Makes 6 servings of 2 stuffed zucchini halves)

6 medium zucchinis (about 2 pounds)
2 ¼ cups organic vegetable broth or water
½ cup chopped shallots
2 cups fresh spinach (or 1 package of frozen spinach)
¾ cup uncooked couscous
½ cup (2 ounces) diced feta cheese
¼ cup chopped fresh mint
3 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
1 tablespoon olive oil
¼ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
½ teaspoon salt

Instructions

- 1. Preheat grill to medium-high heat. You could also use the oven or a sauté pan.
- 2. Cut each zucchini in half lengthwise and scoop out the pulp and seeds with a spoon. Spray both sides of the zucchini lightly with an oil spray and sprinkle a little salt on the inside.
- 3. Place zucchini halves on hot grill (or in oven or sauté pan) for about 5-8 minutes on each side, depending on thickness and how hot the grill is. The zucchinis should be not too hard and not too soft when done.
- 4. Meanwhile, place broth or water in a large pot over medium-high heat and bring to a boil.
- 5. Add chopped shallots and spinach and cook for about 5 minutes.
- 6. Stir in couscous, place a tight-fitting cover on the pot, and remove from heat. Let stand for about 5 minutes
- 7. Place couscous mixture in a large bowl. Stir in cheese, mint, lemon juice, olive oil, salt, and pepper.
- 8. Stuff the zucchini boats with the couscous mixture and enjoy!