GREEN BEAN, CORN, AND TOMATO SALAD

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(serves 6)

Ingredients

coarse salt

- 3 ears corn, husks and silk removed
- 11/2 lbs green beans, stem ends snapped off
 - 3 cloves garlic, peeled and gently smashed
 - 4 Tbsp extra-virgin olive oil
 - ½ small red onion, peeled and thinly sliced
 - 1 medium yellow tomato, sliced ½-inch thick
 - 2 cups small mixed red and green heirloom tomatoes, halved

Instructions

- 1. In a large pot of boiling salted water, cook the corn until tender, 5–7 minutes. Remove corn with tongs and set aside on a cutting board to cool. Using a strainer, remove any corn silk remaining in the pot.
- 2. Add the green beans, return to a boil, and cook until very tender, about 8 minutes (timing may vary depending on the size of the beans). Meanwhile, cut the corn kernels off the cobs and put kernels in a large bowl. Drain the beans in a colander, shake to remove excess water, and put in bowl with corn. Add garlic and 3 tablespoons of oil. Toss well and let stand at least 30 minutes for flavors to blend; refrigerate if longer than 30 minutes.
- 3. If necessary, bring beans and corn to room temperature by removing them from refrigerator 30 minutes before serving. Just before serving, remove the garlic and add the remaining tablespoon of oil along with vinegar, onion, and tomatoes. Add salt to taste and serve at room temperature.
- NOTES To ease mealtime preparation, cook corn and beans early in the day, toss with olive oil and smashed garlic, and keep in the refrigerator. To remove corn kernels from the cob, hold the ear upright on its flat end on a cutting board; with a sharp knife, cut along the length of the cob to remove the kernels, turning the cob as you go.