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- 2 cups cooked guinoa
- 1 cup halved cherry tomatoes
- 1 cup cooked chickpeas
- 1/2 cup basil leaves
- 2 Tbsp cheese (mozzarella, feta, etc.)

Yield: 2 servings Serving Size: 2 cups

Dressing:

- 1 Tbsp olive oil
- 2 Tbsp balsamic vinegar
- 1 tsp lemon juice
- 1 garlic clove
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 tsp pepper
- 1/2 tsp dried oregano
- pinch of red pepper flakes (optional)

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Directions

1. In a large bowl, combine the quinoa, tomatoes, chickpeas, and basil. Toss to combine.

2. Whisk together the dressing ingredients, reserving a bit of pepper to garnish, in a small bowl. Pour dressing over quinoa salad and stir together until evenly coated.

- 3. Garnish with some fresh cracked pepper if desired.
- 4. Serve immediately or chill in fridge for 30-60 minutes.



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Protein includes all foods made from seafood; meat, poultry, and eggs; beans, peas, lentils; and nuts, seeds, and soy products. Beans, peas, and lentils are also part of the Vegetable Group.



Foods made from wheat, rice, oats, cornmeal, barley, or another cereal grain is a **grain** product. Bread, pasta, breakfast cereals, grits, and tortillas are examples of grain products. Foods such as popcorn, rice, and oatmeal are also included in the Grains Group.



Any **vegetable** or 100% vegetable juice counts as part of the Vegetable Group. Vegetables may be raw or cooked and can be fresh, frozen, canned, or dried. They can be whole, cut-up, or mashed.



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Cooking Tips

- To add more protein, stir in tofu, lentils, or chicken
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Trans Fat 0.1g	
Cholesterol < 5mg	2%
Sodium 270mg	12%
Total Carbohydrate 66g	24%
Dietary Fiber 12g	43%
Total Sugars 10g	
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Protein 17g	34%
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