Stella Cadente

Italian Broiled Spring Vegetable Salad

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Serves 4

1 bunch asparagus
6 small baby carrots, peeled
2 c Lloccoli florets
1 large red bell pepper
1 Tbsp Stella Cadente L'Autunno Blend Extra Virgin Olive Oil
¹/₄ c walnuts
1 clove garlic, peeled
¹/₂ c Italian parsley, washed & stemmed
1 Tbsp balsamic vinegar
¹/₄ c nonfat plain yogurt
1 Tbsp Stella Cadente L'Autunno Blend Extra Virgin Olive Oil
1 small head of romaine lettuce, washed, dried, and torn
2 oz. Parmesan cheese, shaved with a peeler or shredded

Preheat broiler. Prep vegetables. Trim asparagus, discarding woody base and cutting spears in 4-inch lengths. Cut the baby carrots in long quarters, cut the broccoli into bite size pieces, and slice the pepper in half-inch wide vertical strips.

Put all the vegetables on a sheet pan with a rim, and toss with 1 Tbsp of Stella Cadente L'Autunno Blend extra virgin olive oil. Broil the vegetables 6 inches from the heat, stirring every couple of minutes. When the vegetables are browned all over, in about 6 minutes, remove from the oven and let cool.

In a food processor, grind the walnuts, garlic, and parsely. When finely ground, scrape down, adding the vinegar, yogurt, and salt to process. Scrape down again and - adding the L'Autunno Blend extra virgin olive oil gradually - process to salad dressing consistency.

Arrange lettuce leaves on a large platter or individual plates. Toss the cooled vegetables with the dressing, arrange on the lettuce, and top with the shaved Parmesan.

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