

"Italian Cuisine!"

Spicy Italian Salad

1/2 cup canola oil 1/3 cup tarragon vinegar 1 tbsp sugar 1 tsp chopped fresh thyme 1/2 tsp dry mustard 2 cloves garlic, minced 1 8 oz can artichoke hearts, drained and guartered 5 cups romaine lettuce, rinsed, dried, chopped 1 red bell pepper, cut into strips 1 carrot, grated 1 red onion, thinly sliced 1/4 cup black olives 1/4 pitted green olives 1/2 cucumber, sliced 2 tbsp grated Romano cheese salt and pepper, to taste hot red pepper flakes, to taste

- 1. Mix oil, vinegar, sugar, thyme, dry mustard, and garlic in a medium container with a lid.
- 2. Cover and shake until well blended.
- 3. Place artichoke hearts in mixture, cover and marinate.
- 4. Toss with rest of ingredients and season to taste.

*Serve with your favorite pasta and crusty, fresh bread!

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