# Chard with Strawberries and Peaches

These are the months for fresh strawberries. Peaches and nectarines are also arriving in the markets. Tonight's chard recipe will feature a combination of these seasonal delights.

A garnish of sharp and savory feta crumbles works beautifully with the bright fruit flavors.

Preparation time: 40 minutes - Servings: 2

# Organize Your Ingredients!

### **Notes on Organizing**

Prep and organize ingredients so they are easy to add. When you're organized, cooking is a breeze.

## **Quinoa and Chickenless Tenders**

1 C. quinoa

plus

2 C. water

You'll use 1-1/3 C. cooked quinoa tonight

**Chickenless Tenders:** 

1/2 tsp. olive oil

4 Chickenless tenders

## Sautéed Chard

1 tsp. olive oil

½ C. white wine

3/4 C. low-sodium vegetable broth

3 T. rice wine vinegar

2 cloves garlic (smashed and chopped)

1/2 C. chopped yellow onion

1 bunch Chard (Washed – stems and leaves chopped separately)

## Garnish

2 T. crumbled feta cheese

## **Blanched Peaches and Strawberries**

1 ripe peach (blanched and sliced)

8 large strawberries (washed and sliced)



# Let's Prepare, Cook, and Plate This!

## **Basic Assembly Instructions**

Start by putting the quinoa on to cook and placing the tenders in the oven to bake.

#### **Quinoa and Tenders**

#### Quinoa:

Place quinoa and water in medium saucepan. Bring to a hard boil, turn off heat, cover and let stand 20-30 minutes.

#### Tenders:

Place chickenless tenders on an oiled cookie sheet and bake 15 minutes at 375°. Set a timer for 8 minutes and turn them over. Return to the oven for 7 more minutes. Remove from oven. Allow to cool slightly. Slice.

#### Sautéed Chard

- 1. Place oil, wine, broth, and vinegar in large sauté pan and bring to boil.
- 2. Add garlic, onions and chopped <u>stems</u> from greens. Bring to hard boil, reduce heat to medium and cook 10 minutes. (Blanch peaches while stems cook)
- 3. Add <u>leaves</u> from greens to stems/onion mixture. Toss over medium-high heat 2 minutes. Remove from heat.

## Blanched Peaches:

### **Peaches and Strawberries**

Place 1 peach in a medium-sized bowl. Cover with boiling water and let stand 2 minutes. Pour off hot water and cover with ice water. Let stand 2 minutes. Peal loose skin from peach. Halve and thin slice the peach. Set aside.

### Strawberries:

Wash and slice strawberries. Set aside.

## Plate the Meal

- 1. Pack 2/3 cup quinoa into a soup ladle to give it shape and turn it out onto each plate.
- 2. Divide cooked greens between plates, leaving the dome of quinoa visible. Divide sliced tenders between the plates and arrange over greens.
- 3. Arrange a fan of sliced peaches and sliced strawberries over greens. Garnish with feta crumbles. Drizzle leftover cooking liquid from chard over quinoa.

## What I've Learned from this Recipe

Purchase firm, plump peaches that have just a little give to finger pressure. Allow them to finish ripening at room temperature for 1-2 days. After blanching, eat them within an hour to prevent them from turning dark. Placing them in cold water with a splash of lemon juice after blanching will slow the oxidation process.

Let us know what you think, and ask any questions you may have! chezdon@plate6.com