

SILKY OVEN-ROASTED EGGPLANT with an Herb and Meyer Lemon Dressing over Tri-Color Quinoa



# HELLO -

### **MEYER LEMON**

A hybrid of a lemon and an orange, it has a mellow acidity and fragrant zest







Meyer Lemon

Sour Cream (Contains: Milk)



PREP: 10 MIN TOTAL: 35 MIN CALORIES: 530 Red Onion

Eggplant

Peas

Cilantro Chili Flakes

Mint

Feta Cheese (Contains: Milk)

## **START STRONG** -

If you love the unique flavor of Meyer lemon, go ahead and add some of the zest to the crema, too.

#### **BUST OUT**

- Baking sheet
- Small pot
- Zester
- 2 Small bowls
- Olive oil (7 tsp | 14 tsp)

INGREDIENTS	
Ingredient 2-person   4-person	
1 2	
1 1	
½ Cup   1 Cup	
4 oz   8 oz	
1⁄4 oz   1⁄4 oz	
1⁄4 oz   1⁄4 oz	
1 2	
1 tsp   1 tsp	
2 TBSP   4 TBSP	
½ Cup   1 Cup	

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#### PREP AND ROAST VEGGIES

Wash and dry all produce. Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Halve **eggplant** lengthwise, then cut into 1-inch-thick wedges. Halve, peel, and cut **onion** into ½-inch wedges. Toss eggplant and onion on a baking sheet with a drizzle of **olive oil**. Season with **salt** and **pepper**. Roast in oven until browned, about 25 minutes.



#### MAKE DRESSING

In another small bowl, whisk chopped mint, cilantro, half the lemon juice, a pinch of lemon zest, and 2 TBSP olive oil. Season with salt, pepper, and a pinch of chili flakes (to taste).



## COOK QUINOA

Meanwhile, put 1½ **cups water** and a pinch of **salt** in a small pot and bring to a boil. Once water is boiling, add **quinoa**. Reduce to a simmer and cover. Cook until quinoa is tender and water is absorbed, about 15 minutes. Stir in **peas** and remove from heat. Keep covered until rest of meal is ready.



**5** MAKE CREMA Add sour cream and 2 TBSP water to the bowl with the remaining lemon juice and combine. Season with salt, pepper, and a pinch of remaining chili flakes (to taste).



# PREP HERBS

Pick mint leaves from stems. (TIP: Stems can be added to the quinoa for flavor. Discard before serving.) Finely chop mint leaves until you have 1 TBSP. Finely chop cilantro and its stems. Zest lemon, then squeeze juice into a small bowl.



**FINISH** Fluff **quinoa** with a fork, then divide between plates. Top with **eggplant** and **onion**. Sprinkle with **feta cheese**, then spoon **crema** and **dressing** on top.

# -MINTY FRESH!

That herb dressing brings a blast of fresh greens.