Seared Salmon & Salsa Verde

with Sweet Piquante Pepper & Farro Salad

TIME: 30-40 minutes SERVINGS: 2

Simple pan-seared salmon gets a fresh lift from Italian salsa verde—a traditional condiment of parsley, capers, garlic, and more. It's the perfect match for a hearty salad of warm farro tossed with sautéed kale and tangy-sweet pickled peppers.



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Ingredients



1 10-oz SKIN-ON SALMON FILLET



1 clove GARLIC



1 bunch KALE



1/2 cup SEMI-PEARLED FARRO



1 PINK LEMON



1 bunch PARSLEY

KNICK KNACKS:



1 Tbsp CAPERS



CRUSHED RED
PEPPER FLAKES



1 oz RED OR GOLDEN SWEET PIQUANTE PEPPERS

















1 Cook the farro:

- ☐ Heat a medium pot of salted water to boiling on high. Once boiling, add the **farro** and cook, uncovered, 18 to 20 minutes, or until tender. Turn off the heat
- ☐ Drain thoroughly and return to the pot. Cover to keep warm.

2 Prepare the ingredients:

- ☐ While the farro cooks, wash and dry the fresh produce.
- ☐ Remove and discard the stems of the **kale**; roughly chop the leaves.
- Finely chop the **parsley** leaves and stems. Roughly chop the **capers**. Peel and finely chop the **garlic**; using the flat side of your knife, smash until it resembles a paste (or use a zester).
- Quarter and deseed the **lemon**.
- ☐ Roughly chop the **peppers**.

3 Cook the kale:

- ☐ While the farro continues to cook, in a medium pan (nonstick, if you have one), heat 2 teaspoons of olive oil on medium-high until hot.

 Add the **chopped kale**; season with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring occasionally, 2 to 3 minutes, or until slightly wilted.
- Add 1/4 cup of water and as much of the red pepper flakes as you'd like, depending on how spicy you'd like the dish to be. Season with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring occasionally, 2 to 3 minutes, or until the kale is wilted and the water has cooked off.
- ☐ Transfer to a bowl and cover with aluminum foil to keep warm. Wipe out the pan.

4 Cook the fish:

- ☐ Pat the **fish** dry with paper towels. Transfer to a cutting board, skin side down. Cut into 2 equal-sized pieces; season with salt and pepper on both sides.
- ☐ In the same pan, heat 2 teaspoons of olive oil on <u>medium</u> until hot. Add the seasoned fish, skinless side down. Loosely cover the pan with aluminum foil and cook 4 to 5 minutes on the first side, or until lightly browned.
- ☐ Flip and cook 3 to 4 minutes, or until lightly browned and cooked through. Turn off the heat.

5 Make the salsa verde:

☐ While the fish cooks, in a bowl, combine the chopped parsley and capers, the juice of 2 lemon wedges, 2 tablespoons of olive oil, and as much of the garlic paste as you'd like. Stir to combine; season with salt and pepper to taste.

6 Finish the farro & serve your dish:

- ☐ While the fish continues to cook, to the pot of **cooked farro**, add the **cooked kale**, **chopped peppers**, **the juice of the remaining lemon wedges**, and a drizzle of olive oil. Stir to combine; season with salt and pepper to taste.
- Serve the **cooked fish** and finished farro with the **salsa verde** on the side. Enjoy!