# Chopped Avocado & Beet Salad with Fresh Orange Vinaigrette

### Ingredients:

1# fresh beets (any variety) ¼ cup olive oil 2 Tbsp. White balsamic vinegar Zest & juice of 1 orange 2 tsp. Honey Freshly ground black pepper 1 large head chicory lettuce, roughly chopped 2 avocados, pitted & cubed ½ cup toasted walnut halves, roughly chopped ¼ cup toasted sliced almonds ¼ cup pomegranate seeds

#### **Directions:**

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. Place beets in a baking dish & add 1 inch of water. Cover dish with foil & bake 45 minutes or until beets are tender.



Run beets under cold water, peel & dice.

Combine oil, balsamic vinegar, orange zest & juice, honey, & pepper in a small bowl.

Place lettuce in a large bowl & toss with 2 Tbsp. Vinaigrette.

Transfer to a serving platter.

In the same bowl, combine diced beets, avocado, walnuts, & remaining vinaigrette. Place on top of the greens.

Garnish with almonds & pomegranate seeds. Serve immediately.

## **Tomatillo Avocado Dressing**

## Ingredients:

4 tomatillos
½ avocado
1 clove garlic, minced
½ jalapeño with seeds
Pinch of salt
2 Tbsp. White balsamic vinegar
1 Tbsp. Lime juice
1 cup cilantro leaves

## Directions:

Remove husk from tomatillos & rinse to remove any sticky residue. Bring water to a boil in a pot, add tomatillos & boil 4-5 minutes. Remove from boiling water, rinse with cold water & allow to cool for a few minutes. Add cooled tomatillos, avocado, garlic, jalapeño, salt white balsamic vinegar & lime juice into a high powered blender or food processor and blend until everything is incorporated & dressing is relatively smooth. Add cilantro leaves and process a few seconds more. Taste & add more jalapeños & salt if needed. Serving size: ¼ cup Calories: 75, PRO: 1 g, CHO: 9 g, fiber: 3 g, Fat: 4 g, Sodium: 195 mg

Yield: ¾ cup