

## **Bok Choy Salad**

1 (3-ounce) packages ramen noodle soup mix

1/4 cup sunflower seeds

1/4 cup slivered almonds

2 Tbl sugar, plus a little more if needed

2 Tbl olive oil

1/4 cup cider vinegar

2 Tbl low sodium soy sauce

½ bunch bok choy or 2 baby bok choy, carefully cleaned and shredded

1/4 cup shredded carrot (about 1/2 large carrot)

3 green onions, chopped

1/4 cup red cabbage, shredded (optional)

Cayenne pepper, pinch (optional)

Fresh ground pepper to taste

- 1. Remove flavor packets from soup mix; reserve for another use. Crumble noodles.
- 2. Combine noodles, sunflower seeds, and almonds. Spread on a  $15 \times 10$  inch jellyroll pan or baking sheet with rim.
- 3. Bake at 350° for 6 to 8 minutes or until golden brown; set aside.
- 4. Bring sugar and next 3 ingredients to a boil in a saucepan over medium heat. Remove from heat; cool.
- 5. Place bok choy, carrots, green onions and cabbage, if using, in a large bowl. Drizzle with sugar mixture. Add ramen noodle mixture, tossing well. Serve immediately.

Yields 3 to 4 servings; recipe.

The Mitchell Katz Winery 2006 Pinot Grigio from Livermore Valley goes great with this salad. A light and refreshing start to a summer dinner. Enjoy!

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