# **Barley**



#### **Health Benefits**

- · Excellent source of fibre and rich in nutrients
- Good for cholesterol, heart health and digestive health.

### Storage

Uncooked barley should be stored in a cool, dry place. Should be stored in an air-tight container. Cooked barley can be stored for 3 to 5 days in the refrigerator.

### Preparation

Combine 3 cups of water per 1 cup of barley and a pinch of salt in a medium saucepan. Bring to a boil over high heat and lower to a simmer. Cook, cover until barley is tender yet chewy, about 25–30 minutes for pearl barley, 40–50 for hulled barley



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## Mediterranean barley salad

### Ingredients:

3 cups water

Herbs and spices of choice

1 cup uncooked barley

1/4 cup lemon juice

1 teaspoon lemon zest, grated

3 tablespoons olive oil

1 tomato, diced

1 bell pepper, diced

1 cup feta cheese (optional)

2 onions, thinly sliced Salt and pepper to taste



#### Directions:

- 1. Heat the water and herbs/spices in a saucepan over medium-high heat to a boil. Stir in the barley. Reduce the heat to low. Cover and cook for 45 minutes or until the barley is tender but still chewy. Spread the barley in a thin layer on a large plate and let cool for 15 minutes.
- Beat the lemon juice, lemon zest and olive oil in a small bowl with a fork or whisk.
- 3. Stir the barley, tomato, bell pepper, cheese, onions, and salt and pepper in a large bowl. Add the lemon juice mixture and toss to coat. Cover and refrigerate for 1 hour. Season to taste. Sprinkle with herbs of choice before serving, if desired.

Servings: 6

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