

Aged Maple Balsamic-Bacon Vinaigrette over Wilted Baby Spinach

Ingredients

- 4 tablespoons Aged Maple Balsamic Vinegar
- 2 Tablespoon aged red wine vinegar
- 1 teaspoon good quality Dijon style mustard
- 4 tablespoons Ultra Premium extra virgin olive oil (your choice)
- 2 tablespoon finely minced shallots
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- freshly ground black pepper to taste
- 4 slices center-cut bacon, cooked to a crisp and finely crumbled
- 2 quarts young spinach leaves, stems removed, washed

Directions

Place spinach in a serving bowl.

Place the maple balsamic, half the crumbled bacon, red wine vinegar, salt, half the shallots, pepper, and mustard in a small saucepan over medium heat. Gently warm while whisking - remove from heat before it reaches a simmer. Allow to cool for a minute, and then whisk in the extra virgin olive oil to emulsify. Adjust seasoning,

Gently dress spinach with warm vinaigrette and top with remaining crumbled bacon and shallot.

Serve warm

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