

## Watermelon Tomato Salad

olive oil

5 cups seeded watermelon cubes (¾ inch)

3 cups of cubed tomatoes (¾ inch)

1/4 teaspoon salt

1 small red onion, guartered and thinly sliced

and tomatoes in a large bowl.

Sprinkle with salt; toss to coat.

Stir in onion, vinegar, and oil.

Serve chilled on lettuce leaves,

Let stand 15 minutes.

Cover and chill 2 hours.

if desired.

Sprinkle with cracked black Directions: Combine watermelon pepper to taste.

6 lettuce leaves

1/4 cup red wine vinegar

2 tablespoons extra virgin

1 teaspoon black pepper

Yield: Makes 6, 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup servings

Nutritional Analysis: 100 calories, 5 g fat, 2 g protein, 18 g carbohydrate, 0 mg cholesterol, 105 mg sodium.

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Kentucky Watermelon

SEASON: July to September.

NUTRITION FACTS: Watermelons are low in calories (92 calories for one two-thirds cup serving) and very nutritious. They are high in lycopene, a powerful antioxidant. They are also high in vitamin C, vitamin A, and potassium.

SELECTION: Choose melons with a wellrounded shape and smooth surface. The underside should be creamy yellow. The flesh should be deep red with mature, dark seeds. Also look for yellow-fleshed and seedless melons.

**STORAGE:** Cut melon should be stored in the

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refrigerator and covered with plastic for two to three days. Uncut melon will keep in a cool place for up to two weeks.

**PREPARATION:** Melons should be washed with soap and water before cutting. The flavor of a watermelon is best when served cold and raw.

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