<u>Stella Cadente</u>

Springtime Nicoise with Fresh Grilled Tuna

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Serves 6

Vinaigrette: 1 clove garlic 1/4 c parsley leaves 1/4 c wine vinegar 2 tsp Dijon mustard 1 tsp salt 2 tsp honey 1 tsp freshly ground pepper 1/2 c Stella Cadente Persian Lime Oil 1/4 c Walnut oil

4 4oz. tuna steaks and rub with Stella Cadente L'Autunno Blend Extra virgin olive oil & coursely cracked pepper

Salad/Vegetables: 5 oz baby spinach, washed & dried 12 small new potatoes, boiled & quartered ½ bunch asparagus, blanched & trimmed ½ lb French green beans, trimmed & blanched 2 large tomatoes, cut in wedges 4 large eggs, boiled, peeled, and quartered ½ c Nicoise or other black olives, pitted 1 ½ Tbsp capers, rinsed...anchovies optional

Make the vinaigrette: In a food processor, mince the garlic & parsley. Add the vinegar, Dijon mustard, salt, honey, and pepper. In a steady stream, add Stella Cadente Persian Lime Oil & walnut oil while processing & whisking. Chill dressing until ready to use.

Preheat grill or broiler. Rub tuna steaks with small amount of Stella Cadente L'Autunno Blend Extra Virgin olive oil & pepper. Chill until ready to cook.

Assemble salad on a large platter. Build a base of spinach, then arrange remaining vegetables, eggs, olives, and capers, leaving several spots for tuna. Grill tuna on medium high for about 6 minutes per side, or to desired doneness. Top the salad with the tuna, pour vinaigrette over it all and pass optional anchoives at the table.

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