

Winter Caprese Salad

Serves 4

Preheat oven 400*F

4 young carrots, peeled with tops cropped 8 asparagus spears, trimmed 4 cloves of garlic ¼ cup pancetta, chopped Small bunch of fresh thyme Fresh ground pepper Extra virgin olive oil Balsamic vinegar Black finishing salt* 8 ounces fresh mozzarella ball

THE STEPS

- Line a baking sheet with parchment paper
- Lay asparagus and carrots on sheet
- Sprinkle with pancetta, garlic and thyme sprigs
- Drizzle liberally with extra virgin olive oil and freshly ground pepper
- Place in oven and roast for 25 minutes

In the meantime, divide mozzarella ball into 4 equal pieces and place on individual serving plates.

- Divide roasted vegetables and crispy pancetta between plates
- Drizzle with dots of balsamic vinegar
- Sprinkle with fresh thyme leaves and finishing salt

*Black finishing salt can be found in most speciality food shops

THE LOVE: Don't embellish this salad. The magic is in it's simplicity.