

Haricots Verts and White Beans with Shallot Vinaigrette

Serves 10 to 12

Ingredients

2 cups dried white beans, such as cannellini, soaked overnight and drained (or use a shortcut of 4 cans of beans, drained & rinsed)
1 small white onion, halved
1 Bay leaf
1 large sprig of thyme Kosher salt
2 lb. haricots verts, trimmed
2 large shallots, minced
2 garlic cloves, minced
2 Tbsp Dijon mustard
2 Tbsp red wine vinegar
1/2 cup extra-virgin olive oil Freshly ground pepper
1/4 cup chopped parsley

- In a large pot, cover the dried beans with 3 inches of water. Add the onion, bay leaf and thyme and bring to a boil. Simmer over low heat, stirring occasionally, until the beans are tender, about 1 hour and 15 minutes. Add more water as needed to maintain the water level. Add 2 teaspoons of salt and remove the pot from the heat. Let the beans cool in the cooking water.
- 2. In a large pot of salted boiling water, cook the haricots verts until crisp-tender, about 3 minutes. Drain the beans and spread them on a large rimmed baking sheet to cool.
- 3. In a small bowl, combine the shallots, garlic, mustard and both vinegars. Add a pinch of salt and let the vinaigrette stand for 10 minutes. Whisk in the olive oil and season with salt and pepper.
- 4. Drain the cooked beans and discard the onion, bay leaf and thyme. Transfer the beans to a large bowl and add the haricots verts. Add the vinaigrette and toss well. Season with salt and pepper and transfer to a platter. Sprinkle with the parsley and serve.