

GRILLED VEGGIES GRILLED VEGGIES

Grilled corn and red onion salad.

ou've marinated the chicken, skewered the shrimp and prepped the burgers to go on the grill. But what about your sides? While you've got the barbecue fired up, toss on some veggies to round out the meal. Most varieties are perfectly suited for spending some quality time on the grill. They require minimal preparation (just a splash of olive oil and some seasoning) and don't take much cooking time. Even better: Veggies of all types, from leafy greens to slender carrots, take

Husk 4 medium ears of corn; cut a large red onion into 1/2-inch slices. Grill vegetables





Start with about 2 pounds of cauliflower or broccoli (choose broccoli with thick stems). Trim the stems and peel them. Slice the broccoli or cauliflower about 3/4-inch thick (you'll probably get 3 steaks per head). Marinate in olive oil, Italian herbs, salt and pepper. Grill on medium-high heat (375° to 400°F) for 5 to 7 minutes per side, until steaks are charred and crisp-tender. Before serving, top with a squeeze of lemon juice and a sprinkle of grated Parmesan. Refrigerate any leftovers.

Grilled Romaine salad with bacon and blue cheese.

Cut 2 hearts of Romaine in half; brush very lightly with olive oil and season with salt and pepper. Grill on medium-high heat (375° to 400°F) for 3 to 5 minutes until lightly charred and slightly wilted. Serve with your favorite blue cheese dressing, crumbled bacon and halved cherry tomatoes. Refrigerate any leftovers.

Soy-ginger grilled carrots.

Wash about 1 pound of slender carrots and remove tops (leaving a bit of green stem) and peel, if desired. Steam carrots over boiling water for 5 minutes; quickly rinse in cold water to stop cooking. In a large bowl, whisk together a marinade: 2 tablespoons olive oil, 2 tablespoons low-sodium soy sauce, 1 tablespoon honey, 1 teaspoon finely grated fresh ginger and a pinch of salt and pepper. Toss the carrots in the marinade; let sit for about 30 minutes. Grill on medium-high heat (375° to 400°F) until you see grill marks, turning regularly, about 15 minutes. Refrigerate any leftovers.





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