Grilled Panzanella Salad

Yield: 6 servings

Ingredients

Good olive oil

1 Tsp. minced garlic

1/2 Tsp. Dijon mustard

2 Tbsp. champagne vinegar

Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper

1/2 hothouse cucumber, unpeeled, seeded and sliced 1/2inch thick

1 large ripe tomato, cut into 1 inch cubes

10 large basil leaves

3 Tbsp. capers, drained

1 red onion, sliced into 1/4 inch rounds

1 red bell pepper, seeded and cut into 3 large pieces

1 yellow bell pepper, seeded and cut into 3 large pieces

1/2 small French Baguette, cut into 1inch thick slices

Directions

- 1. Prepare an electric grill or charcoal grill with hot coals. Brush the grilling rack with olive oil.
- 2. In a small bowl, whisk together the garlic, mustard, vinegar, 1/4 cup olive oil, 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper. Set aside.
- 3. Place the cucumber, tomato, basil and capers in a large bowl, sprinkle with salt and pepper and toss together. Set aside.
- 4. When the grill is ready, brush 1 side of the onion slices and the peppers with olive oil. Place them, olive oil side down, on the grill and cook for 4 minutes.
- 5. Brush the other side with olive oil, turn them over and continue cooking an additional 4 minutes. Remove the vegetables from the grill and place on a cutting board.
- 6. Slice the peppers ¹/₂ inch thick, separate the onion rings and add them both to the cucumber mixture.
- 7. Brush the bread slices on both sides with olive oil and toast them on the grill until golden. Add them to the cucumber mixture.
- 8. Pour the reserved vinaigrette over the vegetables and toss together. Serve warm.