Seasonal Eating



Tomato Salad with Tomato Vinaigrette

1/2 large ripe tomatoes, cut into 1/4" dice

1/4 teaspoon sugar

1 1/2 teaspoons finely minced shallots

1/4 teaspoon minced garlic

1 1/2 tablespoons red wine vinegar

1 1/2 tablespoons tomato juice

2 tablespoons olive oil

Salt and pepper

3 ripe tomatoes, cut into 1/4" slices

1 ball fresh mozzarella cheese, cut into 1/4" slices

12 fresh basil leaves, sliced

Mini crouton

Parmesan cheese curls

For dressing: In a medium bowl, stir together diced tomato, sugar, shallot, garlic, vinegar and tomato juice. While stirring, add olive oil in a steady stream. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

For salad: Layer tomato slices with mozzarella slices, sprinkling each layer with a little salt, pepper and basil. Spoon dressing over the top. Sprinkle with a few croutons and parmesan curls.