# ITALIAN BREADSTICK SALAD

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Ingredients: Yields 12 servings

3 tablespoons olive oil

20 sesame breadsticks - broken in half

1 teaspoon kosher salt

1 large ripe tomato, cut into 1-inch cubes

1 English cucumber, unpeeled, seeded and cut ½ inch thick

1 red bell pepper seeded and cut into 1-inch cubes

1 yellow bell pepper seeded and cut into 1-inch cubes

½ red onion, cut in half and thinly sliced

20 large basil leaves, coarsely chopped

3 tablespoons capers, drained

1-pound spring mix

#### **Directions:**

- Toss the breadsticks in olive oil and sprinkle with kosher salt
- Place in a skillet and get them crisp and toasted set aside
- In a large bowl, mix tomatoes, cucumbers, peppers, onion, basil, capers, and spring mix
- Add the breadsticks and toss

## **Vinaigrette for Breadstick Salad:**

### **Ingredients:**

1 teaspoon finely minced garlic

½ teaspoon Dijon mustard

3 tablespoons champagne vinegar

½ cup olive oil

¼ teaspoon kosher salt

Freshly ground pepper

#### **Directions:**

- Whisk together above ingredients and toss with Italian Breadstick Salad
- Season salad with salt and pepper
- Serve right away or allow salad to sit up to ½ hour to let the flavors blend together