Tuna, Asparagus, and Lima Bean Salad

Serves 4 / Fatty fish like tuna, salmon, and trout are rich sources of omega-3 fats, which may help ease inflammation as well as lower levels of blood fats called triglycerides. Tuna and lima beans also deliver a punch of blood pressure-lowering potassium. Ingredient tip: If you prefer, edamame makes a nice substitute for lima beans, but is higher in fat. Serving tip: Garnish with sliced avocado.

16 asparagus spears, ends trimmed

1 pound fresh ahi tuna steak, cut into large cubes

2 tablespoons plus 1 teaspoon sherry vinegar or red wine vinegar

1/4 teaspoon sea salt

1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper, divided

1 tablespoon plus 1/2 teaspoon extra virgin olive oil

2 cups cooked lima beans

2 cups seedless black grapes, halved

1 cup watercress leaves

1/4 cup thinly sliced red onion

1 tablespoon low-sodium soy sauce

1 teaspoon agave nectar

- 1. Steam asparagus spears until crisp-tender, about 5 minutes. Run under cold water to stop cooking; pat dry. Cut into thirds.
- 2. Toss fish with 1 teaspoon vinegar and season with 1/4 teaspoon salt and 1/8 teaspoon pepper. Heat 1/2 teaspoon oil in nonstick skillet over medium-

high heat. Place fish in skillet and sear on one side for 2 minutes. Turn over and sear for 2–3 minutes or until desired degree of doneness (seared outside and pink inside is nice). Remove to plate.

- 3. Combine asparagus, lima beans, grapes, watercress, and onion in a large bowl. Add tuna and toss gently to mix.
- 4. Combine 2 tablespoons vinegar, 1 tablespoon oil, soy sauce, remaining 1/8 teaspoon pepper, and agave nectar; whisk until well blended. Drizzle dressing over salad and toss.

PER SERVING: 344 cal, 15% fat cal, 6g fat, 1g sat fat, 51mg chol, 36g protein, 39g carb, 9g fiber, 271mg sodium

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