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Fresh Corn Summer Salsa

Makes 12 cups – Serves 8

Salsa is always in season, but during corn season, a fresh salsa featuring garden-fresh corn is especially nice. Paired with protein-rich black beans and edamame, this corn salsa is hearty enough to turn what's typically an appetizer into almost a meal. The classic flavors that typically define salsas are all there – onion, Jalapeño peppers, lime, and cilantro. The colorful composition makes this presentation a stunner on the table. Put this salsa on your summer menu – eating vegetables has never tasted better!

Ingredients:

6 ears of corn (about 3 cups corn kernels)
1 cup frozen edamame, thawed
1 can (15 oz.) black beans, rinsed and drained
2 cups tomatoes, seeded, diced
1 avocado, half-inch dice
1 medium red onion, quarter-inch diced
2 Jalapeño peppers, seeded, finely diced
4 tablespoons cilantro, minced

Dressing Ingredients:

2 limes, juiced (about 4 tablespoons)
1 teaspoon Tabasco (or your favorite hot sauce)
1 teaspoon Kosher salt
1 teaspoon ground cumin
1 tablespoon olive oil

Tortilla corn chips for serving

Directions:

1. Cook the corn by grilling, boiling, or microwaving the corn ears. Remove the kernels from the ears and place in a medium bowl.
2. Add the edamame, black beans, diced tomatoes, avocado, red onion, Jalapeño peppers, and cilantro. Toss to evenly distribute the ingredients.
3. In a separate bowl, whisk together the dressing ingredients: lime juice, Tabasco, salt, cumin, and olive oil. Pour the dressing over the corn mixture. Toss again to evenly coat all the vegetables.
4. Serve with fresh corn tortilla chips – large ones for easy scooping!