Grilled Vegetables with Lemon and Herbs

From – From Asparagus to Zucchini

1 large eggplant (or 2 Asian)
sea salt
4 summer squash
1 bell pepper
2/3 cup olive oil (divided)
1 clove garlic (peeled)
3 Tbsp fresh lemon juice
½ cup chopped fresh herbs (basil, marjoram, thyme, chives, flatleaf parsley or any combo of the 5)
freshly ground pepper to taste

• Cut eggplant into 1/3” thick slices. (If using Asian eggplant, cut in half lengthwise and score flesh about 1/4” deep in crisscross pattern with a knife.)
• Sprinkle eggplant with 1 tsp salt and let drain in a colander 30 minutes.
• Pat dry with paper towels.
• Meanwhile, preheat grill to medium heat.
• Cut summer squash lengthwise into 1/4” slices.
• Cut peppers in half and remove seeds and stems.
• Grill peppers, skin side down.
• When skins have blackened and blistered, put peppers in a paper or plastic bag and close it.
• Allow peppers to cool, then slip off their skins with your fingers.
• Brush zucchini and eggplant with 1/3 cup olive oil.
• Grill in batches, about 5 minutes on each side.
• Arrange cooked vegetables on a platter with peppers.
• Chop garlic and, mash with ½ tsp salt.
• Place mixture in a small bowl.
• Add lemon juice, then mix in remaining 1/3 cup olive oil
• Drizzle vegetables with dressing. Sprinkle with herbs and salt & pepper to taste.
• Cover with a sheet of foil and set aside until ready to serve.

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