Maple-Glazed Salmon with Pineapple Salsa in a new light

Makes: 4 servings
Prep Time: 1 hour 10 minutes
Cook Time: 10 minutes
Difficulty: Moderate

Ingredients:

Marinade and Fish:
- 1 tablespoon maple syrup
- 1 tablespoon reduced-sodium teriyaki sauce
- 1 tablespoon pineapple juice
- 1 1/2 teaspoons fresh ginger, minced
- 1 large clove garlic, crushed
- 4 (4-ounce) salmon fillets

Pineapple Salsa:
- 1 ripe medium tomato, diced
- 1/2 cup diced fresh pineapple, or drained canned pineapple tidbits
- 1/4 cup red bell pepper, finely chopped
- 2 pickled jalapeño pepper slices, deseeded and finely chopped
- 2 teaspoons packed brown sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon salt

Directions:

To marinate the fish, combine maple syrup, teriyaki sauce, pineapple juice, ginger, and garlic in a gallon-size sealable plastic bag. Add fillets and seal bag, squeezing out air. Marinate in the refrigerator, turning bag occasionally, at least 1 hour or up to 24 hours. Drain and discard marinade.

To prepare the salsa, combine tomato, pineapple, bell pepper, jalapeño, brown sugar, and salt in a small nonreactive saucepan. Bring to a simmer and cook over low heat, stirring occasionally, until vegetables soften, about 5 minutes. Cool and refrigerate until ready to serve. Makes about 1 cup.

To grill the fillets, preheat grill for a hot fire. Spray a grill basket with cooking spray, place fillets in the basket skin-side down and cook 3–4 minutes or until well scored with grill marks. Flip and cook for another 1–3 minutes, or until desired doneness. Serve with pineapple salsa spooned on the side.

Nutritional Information: Per serving (1 fillet with 1/4 cup salsa): 260 calories, 12 g fat (2.5 g saturated, 0 g trans), 65 mg cholesterol, 310 mg sodium, 13 g carbohydrate, 1 g fiber, 24 g protein.

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