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### INGREDIENTS

- 3 pounds seedless watermelon (about 1 small or 1/4 large), rind removed, cut into 1-inch chunks
- 1 tbsp (15ml) juice from 1 lemon, plus 4 (2-inch) strips zest, removed with a sharp vegetable peeler
- 1/4 cup (10g) roughly chopped fresh mint leaves
- 3 tbsp (45ml) extra-virgin olive oil, plus more for drizzling
- Up to 4 oz arugula leaves (optional)
- Dash of salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
- 4 oz (110g) feta cheese

### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Place watermelon chunks in a large bowl. Finely chop lemon zest. Add lemon juice and half of zest to bowl with watermelon. Add mint, oil, and arugula (if using) and toss until watermelon is evenly dressed. Season lightly to taste with salt and pepper. (The cheese will add saltiness, so go light on the salt at this stage.)
2. Transfer salad to a wide, shallow bowl or a large plate and spread out evenly. Crumble feta over the top. Sprinkle with remaining lemon zest. Drizzle with more olive oil and a few grinds of black pepper. Serve immediately.

*This salad also tastes great with a bit of balsamic reduction drizzled over top!*

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