German Red Herring Salad (Roter Heringssalat)

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Pickled herring, apples, onions, pickles and red beets are covered in a luscious creamy sauce with a beautiful pinkish-red hue.







PREP TIME

15 mins

TOTAL TIME

15 mins



COURSE

CUISINE

SERVINGS

CALORIES

Entree, hors d'oeuvres, danish, Finnish, German, Main Dish, Salad, Side

Norwegian,

Dish

Scandanavian, Swedish

4 servings

382 kcal

INGREDIENTS

- 1/2 pound pickled (soused) herring fillets (German Bismarck herring or matjes herring), drained and diced small
- 2 medium apples, cored and diced small
- 1/3 pound cooked red beets, diced small
- 1 medium yellow or red onion, diced small
- 4-5 German pickles, diced small (authentic German pickles are key to the flavor, do not substitute with American pickles as they have a very different flavor)
- For the Creamy Dressing:
- 2-3 tablespoons pickle juice from the German pickles
- 1 tablespoon sunflower oil
- 1 tablespoon white wine vinegar
- 1 teaspoon sea salt
- 1 teaspoon sugar

- 1 teaspoon German yellow mustard (tastes significantly different than American yellow mustard) (optional: some also like to add a touch of horseradish)
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1/4-1/3 cup heavy whipping cream
- 3 tablespoons German mayonnaise (tastes significantly different than American mayonnaise)
- 1-2 tablespoons fresh chopped dill
- for serving: boiled potatoes, hard-boiled eggs, crusty bread

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. In a small bowl, whisk together the pickle juice, mustard, oil, vinegar, salt and sugar until emulsified and the salt and sugar are dissolved. Stir in the whipping cream, sour cream, mayonnaise, mustard and dill.
- 2. Place the diced herring, apples, beets, onions, and pickles in a large bowl.
 - Pour the dressing over the herring mixture and carefully stir until thoroughly combined. Add salt and pepper to taste. If the salad is thicker than you prefer, add a little whipping cream. If you prefer the dressing thicker, add more sour cream and/or mayonnaise.
- 3. To serve, lay some slices of boiled egg over a mound of herring salad with a sprig of fresh dill. You can also add some onions sliced into rings. Place the potatoes next to the salad. Alternatively, spread the herring salad on crusty bread.

Can serve 4 as a side or main dish or more people as an hors d'oeuvres.

NUTRITION

Calories: 382kcal | Carbohydrates: 24g | Protein: 13g | Fat: 28g | Saturated Fat: 12g | Cholesterol: 86mg | Sodium: 1013mg | Potassium: 598mg | Fiber: 4g | Sugar: 15g | Vitamin A: 798IU | Vitamin C: 10mg | Calcium: 150mg | Iron: 1mg

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