Mixed Green Salad with Maple Vinaigrette Dressing and Candied Nuts

There are soooo many variations to this recipe, your only limited by the season and your imagination!

Ingredients:

4-6 cups of your favorite mixed greens

1/3-1/2 cup Chepachet Farms Maple Vinaigrette Dressing

2 ounces of Gorgonzola or Feta cheese

1 cup of grape tomatoes, cut in ½

1/4 cup thinly sliced red onion

1/3 cup of cucumber, peeled and thinly sliced

½ pint of blueberries, or strawberries, quartered, or 1 ripe pear, cored and sliced

1 cup shelled pecans or walnuts

1 Tablespoon salted butter

1 Tablespoon brown or maple sugar

1 Tablespoon maple syrup (for a little heat and a slightly smoky sweet, use our Chipotle infused maple syrup.)

Instructions:

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees
- 2. Place a small pan on medium heat and add the butter, sugar and maple syrup.
- 3. Stir until it comes to boil and then toss in the nuts.
- 4. Keep cooking for another 3 minutes or so and then pour the nuts on a baking sheet covered with parchment paper or silpat
- 5. Separate the nuts into a single layer and place in the oven 6-8 minutes. After 4 minutes stir the nuts and make sure there in a single layer and bake for another 2-3 minutes.
- 6. Take out of the oven and let cool.
- 7. You just may want to double the recipe, so you can pick on them while your assembling the rest of the salad!

Place the greens in a large bowl, Drizzle the dressing over the salad, and toss to coat. Add red onion.