

Gardener's Carolina Caviar

- 1 large tomato, chopped
- 1 green bell pepper, finely chopped
- 1 small sweet onion, finely chopped
- 3-4 scallions, finely chopped
- ½ cup fresh parsley, chopped (1 tsp dried)
- 2 garlic cloves, minced (1/4 tsp garlic powder)
- 1 (16oz) can black-eyed peas, drained and rinsed
- 1 (16oz) can black beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 (16oz) can white shoe peg corn, drained
- 1 cup fresh salsa
- 1 Tbsp lime juice
- 1 packet dry Italian dressing mix
- Oil, vinegar, and water for Italian dressing preparation

Prepare Italian salad dressing oil, vinegar, and water according to packet instructions. Combine all other ingredients in a large bowl. Add the salad dressing and toss gently. Marinate, covered, in the refrigerator for at least several hours before serving.