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- 2/3 cup light mayonnaise
- 2 Tbsp. lemon juice
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp garlic powder
- 1/2 tsp. dried oregano
- black pepper (to taste)

Cajun Spiced Chickpeas

- 2 15 oz. cans of chickpeas
- 2 Tbsp. olive oil
- 1/2 tsp. salt

- 1 tsp. smoked paprika
- 1/2 tsp. garlic powder
- 1/4 tsp. onion powder
- 1/2 tsp. dried oregano
- 1/4 tsp. cayenne pepper
- 1/4 tsp. dried thyme
- black pepper (taste)

Salad

- 2 bunches of lacinato kale
 - 1/2 red onion, sliced
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PROCEDURE

- 1.In a medium bowl, mix together the buttermilk dressing ingredients. Taste the dressing and add more salt if desired. Refrigerate the dressing until ready to use.
- 2. Drain and rinse the chickpeas. Add olive oil to a skillet and place over medium heat. Add the chickpeas along with the rest of the Cajun chickpeas ingredients to the skillet. Sauté for about 5 minutes or until the chickpeas are slightly toasted and remove from heat.
- 3. Wash the kale and remove the stems. Slice the kale leaves into thin strips.
- 4. Thinly slice the red onion.
- 5.To build the salad, place the washed kale in a large bowl, add the chickpeas, red onion, and a sprinkle of Parmesan cheese. Drizzle the buttermilk dressing over the salad and serve.

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