Seared Scallops with Jalapeño Vinaigrette

Pairs perfectly with our Michael Ros 2023 Pinot Grigio

Prep Time: 15 mins I Cook Time: 5 mins I Servings: 4

Ingredients:

- 1 large jalapeño pepper, seeded and membranes removed
- 1/4 cup rice vinegar
- ¹/₄ cup olive oil
- ¹/₄ teaspoon Dijon mustard
- salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
- 12 large fresh sea scallops
- 1 pinch sea salt
- 1 pinch cayenne pepper
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 2 oranges, peeled and cut in between sections as segments

DIRECTIONS:

- Place jalapeño, rice vinegar, olive oil, and mustard into a blender. Purée on high until mixture is completely liquefied, 1 to 2 minutes. Season with salt and black pepper.
- Season scallops with sea salt and cayenne pepper. Heat vegetable oil in a skillet over high heat. Place scallops into the skillet and cook until browned, 2 to 3 minutes per side. Transfer to a plate. Garnish scallops with orange segments and drizzle jalapeño vinaigrette over top.

Notes:

If you are making this for a salad dressing, increase the oil to 1/3 cup.

Recipe Source: allrecipes.com