Farmer's Market Vegetable, Beef & Brown Rice Salad

1 beef top round steak, cut ¾-inch thick (about 1 lb)

1 tsp olive oil

2 cups asparagus pieces (2-inch pieces)

1 medium yellow squash, cut lengthwise in half, then crosswise into ½-inch thick slices

3 cups hot cooked brown rice

1 cup diced, seeded tomatoes

1 cup canned garbanzo beans, rinsed, drained

1/4 cup fresh basil, thinly sliced

½ tsp salt

Marinade:

1/4 cup olive oil

2 tbsp fresh lemon juice

1 tbsp minced garlic

1 tbsp honey

2 tsp fresh thyme, chopped (2/3 tsp dried)

1/4 tsp salt

1/8 tsp black pepper

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- Combine marinade ingredients in small bowl.
 Place beef steak and ¼ cup marinade in food-safe plastic bag; turn steak to coat. Close bag securely and marinate in refrigerator 6 hours or as long as overnight. Reserve remaining marinade in refrigerator for dressing.
- 2. Remove steak from marinade; discard marinade. Place steak on rack in broiler pan so surface of beef is 2 to 3 inches from heat. Broil 12 to 13 minutes for medium rare (145°F) doneness, turning once. Remove; keep warm.
- 3. Heat oil in large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat until hot. Add asparagus and squash; cook and stir 7 to 8 minutes or until tender. Toss with rice, tomatoes, beans, basil, salt and reserved marinade in large bowl.
- 4. Carve steak into thin slices. Serve over rice salad.

Yield: 10 cups (4 servings)

Nutrient Value (per 2½-cup serving)

Calories: 514

Carbohydrates: 60 g Protein: 36 g Saturated Fat: 3 g Fiber: 7.3 g

(From: The Healthy Beef Cookbook)