



Shumai dumplings with crispy chilli oil

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30 minutes, plus resting and infusing time

Preparation Time

30 minutes

Cooking Time

20 dumplings

Serves

INGREDIENTS

Crispy chilli oil

1 large shallot, thinly sliced into rings 375 ml (1 ½ cups) neutral

oil,

such as grapeseed oil 2 spring onions, thinly

sliced

2 long red chillies, thinly sliced

10 garlic cloves, thinly

sliced

1/4 cup mild chilli flakes, such as

Korean or Kashmiri

1 tbsp gochujang paste or doubanjiang paste

1 tbsp light soy sauce

1 cinnamon stick

2 star anise

1 tsp Szechuan pepper, lightly crushed

in a mortar and pestle

1 tbsp sesame seeds

1/2 tsp MSG, optional

1 tsp white sugar

Shumai dumplings

2 dried shiitake mushrooms 150 g coarsely ground fatty pork mince

90 g raw prawn meat, finely chopped

2 tsp oyster sauce

1 tbsp light soy sauce

1 tbsp Chinese cooking wine

1 tsp sesame oil

1 tsp caster sugar

1 cm piece ginger (5 g),

finely grated

1 small spring onion, white

part only, thinly sliced

1 tbsp cornflour

1 x 300 g packet square

wonton wrappers

1 tbsp finely chopped carrot

To serve

60 ml (1/4 cup) light soy sauce

60 ml (1/4 cup) Chinkiang

vinegar

(Chinese black vinegar)

1 spring onion, green part only,

thinly sliced

Miele accessories

Steam containers

METHOD

Crispy chilli oil

- 1. Place the shallots and oil in a saucepan and cook on medium heat, induction setting 6, for 10 minutes. Add the spring onion, chilli and garlic and cook for another 10 minutes, or until the garlic becomes a golden brown.
- 2. Using a slotted spoon, remove the ingredients and drain on absorbent paper.
- 3. Place the remaining ingredients in a heat-proof bowl and add the hot oil, stir well to combine. Cool oil completely then return the crispy ingredients to the bowl and cover.
- 4. Allow the chilli oil to infuse overnight then remove the cinnamon and star anise before using.

Shumai dumplings

- 1. Place the shiitake mushrooms in a small heat-proof bowl and cover with boiling water. Sit for 10 minutes to soften. Remove and discard the liquid. Finely chop the mushroom.
- 2. Place the chopped mushroom, pork, prawns, oyster sauce, soy sauce, cooking wine, sesame oil, sugar, ginger, spring onion and cornflour in a large bowl, mix well. Cover and marinate in the fridge for 10 minutes.
- 3. Pick the filling up with your hand and slap against the side of the bowl. Repeat this about 30 times to firm up the mix.
- 4. Place 3 teaspoons of the mix in the middle of a wonton wrapper and bring up the sides to form a cylinder, fold the corners down to create a dumpling with an open top, dab a little water to make it stick. Put a few pieces of carrot on top of each dumpling.
- 5. Place dumplings in a lightly greased perforated steam container. Place into the steam oven and Steam at 90°C for 15 minutes.

To serve

- 1. Combine the soy sauce and vinegar together.
- 2. Serve the shumai dumplings with the soy mixture, crispy chilli oil and spring onion greens.

Hints and tips

- For an even better texture, make your own coarse mince using hand chopped belly pork.
- The importance of slapping the pork filling against the side of the bowl encourages a firmer and spongier texture to the dumplings.
- Eco Steam can be used for cooking the dumplings.
- The chilli can be stored for months in a sterlised jar in the fridge. Use the steam oven's Disinfect function to sterilise the jars.