SPICY GARLIC SHIITAKE NOODLES

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COOK TIME: 15mins

SERVES: 2

CALORIES: 414 kcal (per serving)

INGREDIENTS

200 g/7 oz instant ramen noodles
150 g/5.5 oz shiitakes, torn into bite-size pieces
4 garlic cloves, minced
1 tsp grated ginger
1 tsp crushed red chili flakes
1 tsp crushed Sichuan peppercorns
2 tbsp vegetable oil
30 g/2 tbsp unsalted butter
black pepper
2 eggs, soft-boiled
1 tbsp sesame seeds, for serving
5 scallions, finely chopped + more for serving

*SPICY SOY SAUCE

2 tbsp toasted sesame oil 1 tbsp tomato paste 3 tbsp mirin, or 2 tbsp rice vinegar 2 tbsp oyster sauce 4 tbsp dark soy sauce 1 tsp or 1 tbsp sambal, more if you like it super hot 1 tsp brown sugar

DIRECTIONS

Combine the ingredients for the sauce in a small bowl.

Add water to a small sauce pan, once boiling, add eggs, boil for 6 minutes. Run under cool water, set aside. Cook the noodles according to package directions until just al dente. Drain, reserving 1/2 cup cooking water, and run the noodles under cool water to stop the cooking.

In the meantime prepare the shiitakes. In a large skillet, heat the oil over high. Add shiitakes, cook for 4-5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Lower the heat, add garlic, ginger, chili flakes and Sichuan pepper. Cook for 2 minutes. Add butter, stir until it melts. Stir in scallions and season with black pepper.

Add the sauce, bring to a boil and simmer for 2 minutes. Stir in noodles and 1/4 cup cooking water. Simmer, tossing occasionally, until sauce begins to cling to noodles, about 30 seconds.

Divide noodles among plates, top with a soft-boiled egg, sesame seeds and chopped scallions. Add more sambal if you can handle the heat, enjoy!

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