

# Shumai dumplings with crispy chilli oil

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**30 minutes, plus resting and infusing time** Preparation Time

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**30 minutes** Cooking Time

20 dumplings Serves

#### INGREDIENTS

#### Crispy chilli oil

1 large shallot, thinly sliced into rings 375 ml (1 1/2 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 tsp white sugar 1/2 tsp MSG, optional

#### Shumai dumplings 2 dried shiitake mushr

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 (¼ cup) light soy sauce 60 ml (¼ 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.