



Pomelo betel leaf

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30 minutes

17 minutes

4

Paste

Serves

INGREDIENTS

4 green prawns, peeled and deveined 2 tablespoons fresh coconut flesh, roasted 1 teaspoon lime, finely diced, skin on 1 tablespoon ginger, peeled, finely diced 6 red shallots, finely diced (2 tablespoons) Handful washed coriander leaves 1 birds eye chilli, finely sliced 170g pomelo flesh, peeled, finely diced 16 betel leaves (bai tong tang)

4 slices galangal (11g), peeled, roasted Large pinch of Murray River Sea Salt 3 birds eye chillies (2 with seeds), finely sliced 2 teaspoons shrimp paste, roasted in foil 1 tablespoon dried prawns, rehydrated in water 3 tablespoons fresh coconut flesh, grated, roasted 1 tablespoon peanuts, roasted

Sauce

200g palm sugar, crushed 250ml water 80ml fish sauce 3 tablespoons tamarind water

METHOD

Prawn Mixture

1. Place the peeled prawns into a perforated steam tray in a single layer. Steam for 2 minutes

at 85°C. Set aside in the refrigerator. When cool, slice.

2. Combine remaining ingredients except the betel leaves. Set aside until ready to use.

Paste

- 1. Place galgangal in a pestle and mortar and grind to a paste.
- 2. Gradually add the remaining ingredients, one by one, and pound to a paste. Set aside.

Sauce

1. Heat sugar and water on medium heat, Induction setting 6, until dissolved. Continue to cook

for a further 5 minutes.

2. Add fish sauce, then stir in the paste. Continue to cook for a further 5 minutes.

3. Add tamarind water, continue to cook for a few minutes but do not reduce too much or the

dressing will harden.

- 4. Remove from the heat.
- 5. When cooled slightly, check the seasoning: it should taste sweet, sour and salty.

To Serve

1. Dress the prawn mixture with the sauce and serve on the betel leaves. Sprinkle with extra

crushed nuts and a squeeze of lime.