

Shanghai Noodles with Sliced Beef & Garlic Chives

Season: Summer/Autumn

Serves: 30 tastes in the classroom

or 6 serves at home

Fresh from the garden: garlic, garlic chives, red capsicum

Recipe source: Stephanie Alexander's Kitchen Garden Companion (Penguin Lantern, 2009)

Note: The beef needs to marinate for at least 30 minutes before cooking.

Equipment:

metric measuring scales and spoons clean tea towel chopping board cook's knife large saucepan bowls – 1 medium, 1 small mixing spoon

tongs
colander
large wok
serving platter
chopsticks

plastic wrap

Ingredients:

450 g rump steak, topside or porterhouse, thinly sliced against the grain

750 g thick fresh Shanghai wheat noodles

2 tbsp sunflower oil

3 tbsp oyster sauce

11/2 tbsp dark soy sauce

3 tsp white sugar

1 red capsicum, de-seeded and sliced into 5-mm-wide strips

1 large handful of garlic chives, cut into 5-mm lengths

For the marinade:

3 garlic cloves, finely chopped

6 tsp oyster sauce

11/2 tbsp light soy sauce

3 tsp white sugar

1½ tbsp cornflour

1 tsp sesame oil



What to do:

- 1. Prepare all of the ingredients based on the instructions in the ingredients list.
- 2. *Fill the large saucepan with water and bring to the boil over a high heat.
- 3. Combine the marinade ingredients in the medium-sized bowl. Add the beef, cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate for at least 30 minutes.
- 4. *Carefully drop the noodles into the boiling water and stir briefly with the tongs to separate them. Simmer for 3 minutes.
- 5. Drain the noodles in the colander in the sink. Refresh under cold water, drain well, then mix through a few drops of oil and set aside.
- 6. Combine the oyster sauce, dark soy sauce and sugar in the small bowl and set aside.

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- 7. Heat the wok over a high heat and add the remaining oil. Add the capsicum and stir-fry for 1 minute.
- 8. Add the beef and marinade, and stir-fry for 1 minute.
- 9. Add the noodles and garlic chives, then stir-fry for about 2 minutes or until the noodles are glossy brown and everything is very hot.
- 10. Pour in the oyster sauce mixture and stir through.
- 11. Transfer to the serving platter and eat with chopsticks.

*Adult supervision required.

