

Asian Noodle Salad

Season: All

Serves: 30 tastes in the classroom or 6 at home

Fresh from the garden: carrots, eggs, snake beans or wing beans, spring onions, Thai basil, Vietnamese mint

Recipe source: Adapted from a recipe by Emma Lupin, Kitchen Specialist, Alawa Primary, Northern Territory

This is an easy but very tasty dish that focuses on fundamental Asian flavours and textures: salty, sour and sweet, with crunch provided by bean sprouts, along with traditional fresh herbs.

Equipment:

medium saucepan (if using dry egg noodles) metric measuring scales, cups and spoons clean tea towel chopping board small knife colander mixing bowls – 1 large, 1 small saucepan with steamer and lid metal bowl 2 forks wok egg flip serving bowl for each table

Ingredients:

- 1 quantity **Basic Egg Noodles** or 300 g dry egg noodles1 tsp sesame oil (if using dry egg noodles)
- 300 g snake beans/wing beans, trimmed and cut into 3 cm lengths
- 6 eggs
- 1 tsp soy sauce
- 1 tbsp sunflower oil
- 600 g bean sprouts
- 2 cups Vietnamese mint/Thai basil, roughly chopped

- 8 spring onions, finely sliced
- 2 carrots, peeled and julienned

For the dressing:

- 5 tbsp rice vinegar
- 2 tbsp soy sauce
- 1 tbsp sugar
- 2 tbsp sesame oil





What to do:

- 1. If using dry egg noodles, put a saucepan of water on to boil. Otherwise, follow the cooking directions in the **Basic Egg Noodles** recipe.
- 2. Prepare all of the ingredients based on the instructions in the ingredients list.
- 3. If using dry egg noodles, boil the noodles for 2–3 minutes. Drain, refresh in cold water, drain and toss with 1 tsp sesame oil.
- 4. Place the noodles in the large bowl.
- **5.** Steam the snake or wing beans for a minute or two; drain and refresh with cold water.
- 6. Whisk the eggs with the fork, three at a time in the metal bowl. Add the soy sauce.
- 7. Heat a little sunflower oil in the wok and, when the wok is smoking hot, add the egg mixture. Cook until just firm, turning the wok so the egg forms a flat omelette, then flip and cook the other side.
- 8. Transfer the omelette to the chopping board. Roll and slice it up, and set it aside.
- 9. Mix together the dressing ingredients with a clean fork in the small bowl.
- **10**. Mix the sprouts and beans into the noodles.
- **11**. Divide between serving bowls and pour a little of the dressing over each.
- 12. Top with the sliced egg and sprinkle over fresh herbs, spring onions and carrots.

