

Asian Shrimp and Cucumber Appetizer

Ingredients:

Shrimp:

1 tablespoon of grated fresh ginger

1 tablespoon of grated fresh garlic

1 pound of fresh shrimp

2 tablespoon of sesame oil

Salad:

1/2 thinly sliced red bell pepper, seeds removed

1/2 thinly sliced yellow bell pepper, seeds removed

1/2 thinly sliced serrano pepper, seeds removed

2 tablespoons of chopped fresh cilantro

2 tablespoons of chopped fresh mint

2 tablespoons of chopped fresh basil

3 tablespoons of chopped cashews or peanuts

1 cucumber sliced in 1/2' thick slices

Juice of 1 lime

2 tablespoons of sherry vinegar

1 tablespoon of soy sauce

1/2 teaspoon of fish sauce

2 tablespoons of sesame oil

Kosher salt and fresh cracked pepper to taste

Chives for garnish

Makes 8 servings

Preparation:

- 1. In a large bowl add in ginger, garlic, shrimp and sesame oil and mix.
- 2. Once combined, sauté in a large hot sauté pan until the shrimp are cooked through.
- 3. Place the shrimp on a plate and transfer to the refrigerator to let cool.
- 4. In a separate bowl, add in peppers, herbs and peanuts and set aside.
- 5. In another bowl, whisk together lime, vinegar, soy, fish sauce and sesame oil.
- 6. Once combined, add a small amount to the bell pepper herb mixture and thoroughly coat.
- 7. Lay down cucumber slices, season with salt and pepper and add a small amount of the tossed pepper salad.
- 8. Top off each cucumber and salad appetizer with a piece of cooked shrimp.
- 9. Serve cold.