

Kimchi mandu with lemon-chili sauce

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Ingredients

Mandu:

- Wrappers (gyoza wrappers) or make some with 2 cups of flour, 0.5 to 1 cup of water. (You will have to adjust.)
- Kimchi, chopped up into small little pieces.
- Kimchi juice from the jar.
- 1 block of firm tofu, crumbled.
- Sesame oil, however you desire.
- Salt and pepper.
- Soy bean sprouts.
- Green onion, chopped up.
- A bit of ginger (I used preminced ginger from a jar sometimes.) ... use ginger powder if you dont have. About a 0.5 to 1 teaspoon of this.
- 6 cloves of garlic, more or less.
- Cooking oil.
- Soy sauce.
- 0.5 teaspoon of Red pepper powder.
- Any amount of Red pepper flakes.

Dipping sauce:

- 4-5 tablespoons of Soy sauce.
- Red pepper flakes.
- 2 cloves of minced garlic.
- 4 tablespoons of lemon juice.
- A dash of sesame oil.

Instructions

I love mandu. Mandu is gyoza or jiaozi in other languages. Essentially a Korean style of dumpling. Heres a recipe that I learned. This is completely vegan or vegetarian. You don't need meat for quality gyoza. :)

- 1. Fry up the kimchi, tofu and soy bean sprouts in cooking oil until the sprouts are tender. Set aside.
- 2. Add the chopped up green onion with the mixture.
- 3. Add the sesame oil, soy sauce, ginger, garlic, salt and pepper plus the kimchi juice. Mix thouroughly. Refrigerate.
- 4. If you didn't make the wrappers already, make em. Otherwise use premade.
- 5. Put some filling in middle of circle wrapper and pleat. You can watch how to pleat dumplings on youtube tutorials. I find Yongfooks very helpful to newbies.
- 6. Oil up the pan and when heated, add dumplings. When its browning on bottom a bit, add 1/4 cup of water. Cover with lid and steam.
- 7. Remove lid and let vapour escape. It should fry up the dumpling bottoms. Remove when crispy bottoms.
- 8. Assemble the sauce, add all together and mix.
- 9. Eat! Enjoy addicting mandu can be put in various Korean soups and stews. You can deep fry these too and you can freeze in a floured ziplock bag (flour added inside and shaken the dumplings) for a good month or so... but theyd probably be gone by then.;)