Gai Phad King Recipe

(Thai Recipe)

Ingredients: Serves 4-6

1 cup (2 oz/60 g) cloud or tree ear mushrooms (black or white fungus)

1/4 cup (2 fl oz/60 ml) vegetable oil

6 cloves garlic, peeled and coarsely chopped

1 small onion, thinly sliced

12 oz (375 g) boneless, skinless chicken breasts, thinly sliced

1 cup (4 oz/125 g) loosely packed, julienned fresh ginger, preferably young ginger

1 tablespoon fish sauce

3 tablespoons oyster sauce

1 tablespoon soy sauce

1 tablespoon soybean paste

2 fresh long red chlies, cut into large pieces

½ cup (4 fl oz/125 ml) chicken broth or water

8 scallions (green onions), white part only, chopped

Method:

If using dried mushrooms, soak in water for 10 minutes; drain. Use scissors to trim hard core, then cut mushrooms into pieces. Heat oil in a wok or large, heavy frying pan over high heat and fry garlic just until it starts to brown. Immediately add onion and chicken, and stir-fry until meat is opaque on all sides, about two minutes. Add ginger and mushrooms, then fish sauce, oyster sauce, soy sauce, and soybean paste. Stir-fry for 1 minute. Add chilies and broth or water, bring to a boil, and cook for 1 minute. Stir in scallions. Transfer to a serving dish and serve.

Note: If cloud or tree ear mushrooms are unavailable, substitute an equal quantity of straw mushrooms or standard mushrooms.

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