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Gambas a la Plancha with Aioli

20 min · Serves 4 · 310 kcal a serve · Video 5:37 · Bart's Fish Tales

Pescatarian · Gluten-free ingredients · Dairy-free · Nut-free

Cooked in their shells on hot salt, the prawns need no oil at all: five give about 22 g of protein, most of a day's selenium and over half a day's vitamin B12. Almost all the fat is in the aioli, so dip lightly.

Diet notes: Keto (1.1 g net carbs a serve).

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- [ ] 20 **raw king prawns**, unpeeled, heads and tails on
- [ ] 9 oz **coarse sea salt** for the pan bed (most is left behind)
- [ ] 2 **garlic** cloves, for the aioli
- [ ] 1 **egg yolk**, for the aioli
- [ ] ½ cup **sunflower oil**, for the aioli
- [ ] 2 tsp **lemon juice**, for the aioli
- [ ] a pinch of **salt**, for the aioli
- [ ] a pinch of **black pepper**, for the aioli
- [ ] a **lemon wedge**, a few drops to serve (optional)

Amounts in US units, converted from the cook's and rounded — the video has the originals.

Contains: Crustacea, Egg. Check labels on stock, sauces and spice mixes.

Method TIMES = THE MOMENT IN THE VIDEO

1. Make the aioli: crush the garlic to a smooth paste in a mortar, mix in the egg yolk and a pinch of salt, then add the sunflower oil drop by drop, stirring all the time, until thick. Season with lemon juice and pepper and chill. 0:33
2. Spread a layer of coarse sea salt over the base of a large heavy frying pan and heat it over medium-high for about 2 minutes, until the salt is very hot. 1:47
3. Use whole raw king prawns with heads and shells on, ideally MSC- or ASC-certified. Lay them on the hot salt and press them in gently so one side is covered. 2:17
4. Cook 2–3 minutes until the underside turns red, then turn them over and cook another 2–3 minutes. The shells crisp while the meat steams in its own juices. 3:21
5. Serve straight away with the aioli. Twist off the heads, peel the shells, dip in the aioli and add a few drops of lemon if you like. 4:29

> **Tip** Serves 4 as a tapa (5 prawns each). The meat doesn't taste salty because the shells protect it. For carnivore, skip the aioli and lemon. The aioli uses raw egg yolk. Give everyone a finger bowl of warm water with a lemon slice.

The method is a summary in our words — the video shows every step.

One serve gives you 1 OF 4 · ESTIMATE

ENERGY	PROTEIN	CARBOHYDRATE	FIBRE	FAT	SODIUM
310 kcal	22 g	1.2 g	0.1 g	24 g	590 mg
1,300 kJ	45% of a day	1.1 g net · 0.2 g sugars	0% of a day	2.2 g saturated	26% of a day
		0% of a day		31% of a day	

Energy from net carbs 1% · protein 29% · fat 70% — fits keto: 1.1 g net carbs, 70% of the energy from fat

High in (20%+ of a day) Omega-3 148% · Selenium 86% · Vitamin B12 67% · Vitamin E 35%

Source of (10–19%) Zinc 14% · Vitamin K 14% · Vitamin B6 11%

Recipe and video: Bart's Fish Tales (@Bartsfishtales) on YouTube — youtube.com/watch?v=s7R4Yakny-o, published 10 November 2017. All credit for the recipe goes to the cook; please watch and support their channel.

By Notbroken: the method summary, the unit conversions, the diet notes and the nutrition estimate — worked out from the ingredient list with USDA FoodData Central values; % of a day compares one serve with the US FDA daily values on food labels (2,000 kcal). Brands, portions and cooking change the real numbers.

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