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Gambas al Ajillo: Spanish Garlic Prawns

20 min · Serves 4 · 413 kcal a serve · Video 6:31 · Spain on a Fork

Pescatarian · Dairy-free · Nut-free

Prawns make each serve rich in protein, very high in selenium and a good source of vitamin B12; the sauce is just garlic-infused olive oil and wine, with no butter, cream or added sugar.

Diet notes: Keto if you skip the crusty baguette; Gluten-free with a swap: Skip the baguette or use gluten-free bread; the prawns themselves are gluten-free.

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Ingredients 9 · SERVES 4

- [ ] 6–8 **garlic** cloves, thinly sliced
- [ ] 15 **raw jumbo prawns** (about 300 g), peeled and deveined
- [ ] **sea salt**, to taste
- [ ] **freshly cracked black pepper**, to taste
- [ ] 4 small **dried cayenne peppers**
- [ ] 85 ml **white wine** (or broth)
- [ ] 88 ml extra **virgin olive oil**
- [ ] a handful of **fresh parsley**, chopped, to garnish
- [ ] 1 **crusty baguette**, to serve (optional)

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

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

Method TIMES = THE MOMENT IN THE VIDEO

1. Peel and thinly slice the garlic. Pat the prawns completely dry with paper towel and season with salt and pepper. 0:37
2. Heat the olive oil in a large frying pan over medium heat for 2 minutes, season the oil lightly with salt, then add the garlic and dried chillies, stirring constantly so the garlic colours evenly. 2:09
3. After about 2 minutes, when the garlic is pale gold, add the prawns in a single layer. Cook 1½–2 minutes, then flip them. 3:05
4. Pour in the white wine, raise the heat to medium-high and cook about 2 more minutes until the alcohol has cooked off and the prawns are just cooked through. 3:34
5. Tip everything into a serving dish, scraping up all the sauce, sprinkle with parsley and serve with baguette for mopping up the garlic oil. 4:12

> **Tip** Serve as a tapa with bread, or spoon over wholewheat pasta for a main. Swap the wine for broth or white grape juice to cook without alcohol. Don't overcook the prawns or they turn rubbery.

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
413 kcal	20 g	35 g	1.8 g	20 g	770 mg
1,730 kJ	41% of a day	33 g net · 2.1 g sugars	6% of a day	2.9 g saturated	33% of a day
		13% of a day		25% of a day	

Energy from net carbs 34% · protein 20% · fat 46%

High in (20%+ of a day) Selenium 84% · Vitamin B12 42% · Vitamin E 24% · Vitamin K 24% · Omega-3 21%

Source of (10–19%) Zinc 14% · Vitamin B6 13% · Magnesium 10%

Recipe and video: Spain on a Fork (@SpainonaFork) on YouTube — youtube.com/watch?v=oUdJsGO_CiM, published 18 November 2020. 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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