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Som Tum (Thai Green Papaya Salad)

20 min · Serves 2 · 183 kcal a serve · Video 3:04 · CiCi Li, Asian Home Cooking

Pescatarian · Gluten-free ingredients · Dairy-free

Almost all raw vegetables and fruit with no added oil: papaya, lime and tomato make it a good source of vitamin C, and the peanuts and dried shrimp add a little protein and crunch.

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Ingredients 11 · SERVES 2

- [ ] 2½ cups **green papaya**, julienned
- [ ] 2 cloves **garlic**
- [ ] 1 **green bird's eye chilli**
- [ ] ½ **red finger hot pepper** (optional)
- [ ] 2 tbsp **palm sugar** (or granulated sugar)
- [ ] 2 tbsp **fish sauce**
- [ ] 1 medium **lime**, cut into wedges and squeezed
- [ ] 1 tbsp small **dried shrimp**
- [ ] 2 tbsp **roasted peanuts**, divided
- [ ] 2 **long beans** (or green beans), cut into 2 inches pieces
- [ ] ½ cup **grape tomatoes**, halved

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

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

Method TIMES = THE MOMENT IN THE VIDEO

1. Peel the green papaya and shred it into thin strips with a knife or a julienne peeler. Soak in cold water for about 5 minutes to crisp it, then drain well. 0:27
2. Pound the garlic and chillies in a mortar until broken into small pieces (or mince them finely) and put them in a large bowl. 1:04
3. Add the palm sugar, fish sauce and lime juice and stir until the sugar dissolves. Drop in a couple of the squeezed lime pieces for extra aroma. 1:27
4. Add the dried shrimp, half the peanuts and the beans and pound or press lightly so the beans crack a little. 1:47
5. Add the papaya and tomatoes, bruise lightly and toss so everything is coated. Scatter over the rest of the peanuts and serve straight away. 2:04

> **Tip** Green mango, apple or carrot can stand in for green papaya. Start with 1 tbsp palm sugar and add more to taste. Serve with sticky rice and grilled chicken for a meal.

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

One serve gives you 1 OF 2 · ESTIMATE

ENERGY	PROTEIN	CARBOHYDRATE	FIBRE	FAT	SODIUM
183 kcal	**7.1** g	**31** g	**3.7** g	**4.9** g	**1,440** mg
770 kJ	14% of a day	28 g net · 24 g sugars	13% of a day	0.7 g saturated	63% of a day
		11% of a day		6% of a day	

Energy from net carbs 61% · protein 15% · fat 24%

High in (20%+ of a day) Vitamin C 89% · Folate 21% · Magnesium 20%

Source of (10–19%) Vitamin B6 17% · Vitamin K 13% · Selenium 12% · Potassium 11% · Vitamin E 11% · Vitamin B12 11%

⚠ One serve has about 63% of a day's sodium — less salt, stock or sauce (or reduced-salt versions) brings it down.

Recipe and video: CiCi Li, Asian Home Cooking (@CiCiLi) on YouTube — youtube.com/watch?v=zTUI5IfaYyY, published 21 April 2023. 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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