

Bean Sprouts



HOW DO THEY TASTE?

Bean sprouts have a mildly sweet, nutty flavor with a crunchy texture.

HOW DO I PICK THEM?

When picking bean sprouts, choose crisp-looking sprouts and avoid any that look wilted or smell musty. Bean sprouts are available year-round.

HOW DO I STORE THEM?

Store the bean sprouts in their original package until ready to use. Avoid washing them until ready to use.

HOW DO I PREPARE THEM?

- 1. Remove the bean sprouts from the original packaging.
- 2. Rinse the bean sprouts thoroughly.
- 3. Use immediately once removed from packaging.

WHAT SHOULD I DO WITH THEM?

Bean sprouts can be used raw or sautéed in a variety of dishes. They can be added as a crunchy topping to soups, rice bowls, and salads.

Pad Thai Ingredients

3 tbsp brown sugar, lightly packed

3 tbsp water

3 tbsp apple cider vinegar

½ tbsp fish sauce (optional)

1 tbsp low-sodium soy sauce

1 tbsp vegetable oil

3 cloves garlic, roughly chopped

1 large shallot, diced

1 cup daikon radish, finely diced 1 tsp crushed red pepper

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2 cups bean sprouts, loosely packed 10 stalks chives, chopped

1/4 cup unsalted roasted peanuts, roughly chopped (optional)

1 tbsp lime juice

1 (14 ounce) box brown rice noodles

Directions

- In a saucepan over medium heat, add sugar, water, vinegar, fish sauce, and soy sauce. Bring to a simmer, then turn off heat and let stand.
- 2. Cook rice noodles according to package directions.
- 3. While noodles are cooking, heat oil in a medium sauté pan over medium heat. Add garlic, shallot, radish, and crushed red pepper. Cook until fragrant and golden, about 5 minutes.
- 4. Cut cooked rice noodles in half using scissors, and add them to sauté pan with brown sugar sauce. Toss until well-combined.
- 5. Push noodles to one side of pan, and add eggs to empty side of pan. Scramble until cooked, then mix in noodles.
- 6. Add bean sprouts, chives, peanuts, and lime juice, and toss well. Serve and enjoy hot.

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