

# Garlic and Chili Thai Basil Duck

This luxurious dish highlights the rich, tender flavor of duck paired with the bold aromatics of garlic, chili, and Thai basil. It's perfect for a special meal or a delightful Thai-inspired dinner.

## Ingredients:

300g duck breast, thinly sliced

2 tablespoons vegetable oil

5 cloves garlic, minced

2-3 Thai bird chilies, finely chopped (adjust to taste)

1 medium onion, thinly sliced

1 tablespoon fish sauce

1 tablespoon oyster sauce

1 teaspoon soy sauce

1 teaspoon sugar

1/4 cup chicken stock (or water)

1 cup fresh Thai basil leaves

Optional: Lime wedges for serving

#### Instructions:

Prepare the Duck:

Score the skin of the duck breast lightly with a sharp knife, being careful not to cut into the meat.

Thinly slice the duck into bite-sized pieces.

Render Duck Fat (Optional but Recommended):

Place the duck slices skin-side down in a cold wok or skillet.

Heat the pan over medium heat and cook until the fat is rendered and the skin is golden and crispy (about 3-4 minutes).

Remove the duck and set aside, draining excess fat if needed. This step enhances the flavor of the dish.

## Heat the Wok:

Add 2 tablespoons of vegetable oil to the wok over medium-high heat (or use the rendered duck fat for added flavor).

## Cook the Aromatics:

Add minced garlic and chopped chilies to the hot wok.

Stir-fry for 30 seconds until fragrant and golden.

## Stir-Fry the Duck:

Return the duck slices to the wok and stir-fry for 1-2 minutes until lightly browned.

## Add Onion and Sauce:

Toss in the sliced onion and stir-fry for another minute.

Add fish sauce, oyster sauce, soy sauce, sugar, and chicken stock. Stir to coat the duck evenly.

## Add Thai Basil:

Lower the heat and toss in the fresh Thai basil leaves.

Stir until the basil is wilted and aromatic, about 30 seconds.

#### Serve:

Transfer the duck stir-fry to a serving dish.

Garnish with lime wedges for a tangy finish, if desired.

# Serving Suggestions:

Serve over steamed jasmine rice or noodles for a hearty meal.

Pair with a side of stir-fried vegetables or a refreshing cucumber salad.

# Tips for Perfect Duck:

Duck can overcook quickly, so avoid cooking it for too long after it's added back to the wok. Use high-quality duck breast for the best flavor and texture.

Enjoy this Garlic and Chili Thai Basil Duck for its rich, savory, and aromatic taste, with a hint of spice!