Asparagus & Summer Squash Curry

with Ginger-Lime Peanuts

PREP TIME: 15 minutes
COOK TIME: 25-35 minutes

SERVINGS: 2

Tonight's vibrant dish combines two of our favorite vegetables only briefly in season together: tender asparagus and summer squash. We're cooking them in a sauce made with yellow curry paste—a milder variety of the Thai staple—whose heat is balanced by smooth coconut milk and a touch of coconut palm sugar. Our side of jasmine rice is perfect for soaking up the flavorful sauce, while a garnish of peanuts sautéed with more ginger and lime zest adds welcome crunch. (Chefs, your squash may be grey or green zucchini or yellow squash.)



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Ingredients



¹⁄2 cup JASMINE RICE



1 3/4 cups LIGHT COCONUT MILK



2 CARROTS



LIME



2 Tbsp YELLOW CURRY PASTE



1 1-inch piece GINGER



1 Tbsp COCONUT PALM SUGAR



2 tsp GOLDEN MOUNTAIN SAUCE



1 SHALLOT



1/3 cup ROASTED PEANUTS



I SUMMER SQUASH



½ bunch ASPARAGUS



1 bunch CILANTRO

















1 Prepare the ingredients:

- ☐ Wash and dry the fresh produce.
- ☐ Peel and roughly chop the ginger.
- Roughly chop the peanuts.
- ☐ Using a peeler, remove the green rind of the lime, avoiding the white pith; mince the rind to get 2 teaspoons of zest (or use a zester). Quarter the lime.
- \square Peel and thinly slice the shallot.
- Peel the carrots and thinly slice into rounds.
- ☐ Medium dice the squash.
- Cut off and discard the tough, woody stem ends of the asparagus; halve crosswise on an angle.
- ☐ Roughly chop the cilantro leaves and stems.

2 Cook the rice:

- In a small pot, combine the rice, a big pinch of salt, and 1 cup of water. Heat to boiling on high.
- Once boiling, cover and reduce the heat to low. Cook 12 to 14 minutes, or until the water has been absorbed and the rice is tender.
- ☐ Turn off the heat and fluff the cooked rice with a fork. Set aside in a warm place.

3 Make the ginger-lime peanuts:

- ☐ While the rice cooks, in a large pan (nonstick, if you have one), heat 2 teaspoons of olive oil on medium-high until hot. Add **half the ginger**. Cook, stirring constantly, 1 to 2 minutes, or until softened and fragrant.
- ☐ Reduce the heat to low and add the **peanuts**. Cook, stirring frequently, 1 to 2 minutes, or until toasted. Add the **lime zest**; season with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring constantly, 30 seconds to 1 minute, or until fragrant. Transfer to a paper towel-lined plate and immediately season with salt. Set aside in a warm place. Rinse and wipe out the pan.

4 Start the curry:

☐ While the rice continues to cook, in the same pan, heat 2 teaspoons of olive oil on medium-high until hot. Add the shallot, carrots, squash, and remaining ginger; season with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring frequently, 3 to 4 minutes, or until slightly softened. Add as much of the curry paste as you'd like, depending on how spicy you'd like the dish to be. Cook, stirring frequently, 1 to 2 minutes, or until fragrant.

5 Finish the curry:

- ☐ Add the asparagus, coconut milk (shaking the can just before opening), Golden Mountain sauce, and sugar to the pan; season with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring occasionally, 8 to 10 minutes, or until slightly reduced in volume and the asparagus has softened.
- ☐ Turn off the heat and stir in **the juice of 2 lime wedges**. Season with salt and pepper to taste.

6 Plate your dish:

☐ Divide the **cooked rice** and **finished curry** between 2 dishes. Garnish with the **cilantro** and **ginger-lime peanuts**. Serve with the **remaining lime wedges** on the side. Enjoy!