## FLAVOURS OF THE COAST

Koori Cookbook

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#### Introduction

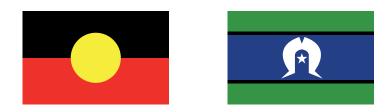
We would like to respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of this land, and Elders Past, Present and Future, and thank all of the community members who shared their recipes and stories about food with us.

Aboriginal people in the Illawarra and South Coast regions of New South Wales have been cooking and eating local food from the land and ocean for tens of thousands of years. This food is both healthy and tastes great. Closely guarded recipes have been handed down through families, with everyone claiming to have the best Pippie or Muttonfish (abalone) recipe.

There's growing interest in cooking great food. Eating healthy food doesn't have to be hard, boring or expensive. Fresh food always tastes great, our kids love it and it's good for us.

When we spoke to people about their recipes they shared stories about how important good food was to their spiritual and physical health and how growing or catching food brought communities and families together. We hope this traditional recipe book encourages you to eat good tucker and be healthy.

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# Be Stronger Live Longer

# Eat Good Tucker



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# **Australian Guide to Healthy Eating**

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Chickpeas

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Enjoy a wide variety of nutritious foods from these five food groups every day.

Quinoa

Polenta

Fettuccine

Drink plenty of water.

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Grain (cereal) foods,

mostly wholegrain and/or high cereal fibre varieties

Lean meats and poultry, fish, eggs, tofu, nuts and seeds and legumes/beans

Use small amounts

#### Only sometimes and in small amounts

Milk, yoghurt, cheese and/or alternatives, mostly reduced fat

Fruit



#### **Eating More Fruit and Vegies**

#### Why do I need them?

One of the easiest and tastiest ways to stay healthy is to eat plenty of fruit and vegetables. Aim to eat a variety of at least five serves of vegetables and two serves of fruit every day. Fruit and vegetables contain lots of fibre, vitamins, minerals and antioxidants.

#### Which ones should I eat?

Fresh, frozen, canned and dried fruit and vegetables all count. Look for seasonal varieties which will be fresher and cheaper. Frozen vegetables are ideal if you don't have time to shop regularly and they are just as healthy as fresh vegetables.

#### How can I?

Include fruit in your breakfast, try snacking on raw vegies or fruit, and add a serve of vegetables each main meal.

#### **Abbreviations:**

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mL = millilitre(s) g = gram(s) °C = degrees Celsius kg = kilogram(s) Tbsp = Tablespoon Tsp = Teaspoon

#### **Metric Measures:**

1 cup = 250mL <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup = 125mL <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup = 60mL 1 tablespoon = 20mL 1 teaspoon = 5mL

#### **Tips for Eating Good Tucker**

#### Halt the Salt!

It's better not to add salt during food preparation. If you want to add flavour use herbs and spices. When shopping for the ingredients choose foods labelled 'no added salt', 'low salt' or 'salt reduced' where possible.

#### Use healthier oils

Choose from a variety of vegetable and seed oils when you are preparing food. Healthier choices include canola, sunflower, soybean, olive, sesame and peanut oils.

#### **Vegies, Nuts and Grains**

Include vegetables, whole grains, fruit, nuts and seeds as the main part of each meal.

#### **Choose Water**

If you provide drinks then choose mainly water. Tap water is fine and free too. Water can be flavoured with many natural ingredients such as lemon, lime, ginger and mint.

#### Hand and Food Hygiene

Always remember to wash your hands before cooking or eating food.

Wash all fresh vegetables and fruit before eating.

Keep cold foods cold.

Keep hot foods hot - they should be steaming.

If there is any food left over it should kept cold in a fridge or in a cold esky.

If eating leftovers make sure they're heated so that they are steaming.

If you are traveling a long way with food, keep it in a cold esky.

Reference: from Deadly Tucker Cookbook; North Metropolitan Public Health Unit, Department of Health WA.

Black Fish Curry

Ingredients:

1 tablespoon of canola or olive oil 3 black fish fillets, cut into pieces 1 brown onion, diced 1 sweet potato, peeled and cubed 100g of green beans, cut into bite size pieces 1 teaspoon of dried chilli <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup of hoisin sauce 500ml of vegetable stock 400ml of reduced fat coconut milk 150g of baby spinach 150g of cooked egg noodles

Method:

- 1. Heat oil in wok or frying pan, then sear fish in hot wok and remove.
- 2. Add the onion, sweet potato, and green beans to frying pan or wok and cook for 5 minutes.
- 3. Add chilli, hoisin sauce, stock and coconut milk and cook at a simmer for 15 minutes.
- 4. Briefly return fish to wok, add baby spinach and noodles and serve.

Note: Instead of coconut milk, you could use evaporated milk and coconut essence. To thicken if needed, stir 1 teaspoon of corn flour into 2 teaspoons of water and then stir into the sauce.



Australian Salmon Fish Cakes

20 minutes preparation + 10 minutes cooking By Ronnie Thomas



Ingredients:

- 6 potatoes, peeled and cut into chunks 1kg Australian salmon fillet 2 teaspoons of olive oil 1 onion, finely chopped 2 shallots, sliced 4 eggs (1 for the mixture and 3 for crumbing) 1 tablespoon of milk 2 cups of plain flour
- 2 cups of breadcrumbs

- 1. Boil potatoes until tender, then drain and mash.
- 2. Lightly poach salmon fillet in boiling water for 1-2 minutes, drain and let cool before breaking up and removing any bones.
- 3. Fry onion and shallots in olive oil. Then place onions, shallots, mashed potato and fish in a bowl.
- 4. Add 1 beaten egg to the mix and stir all together until firm and consistent.
- 5. Form into fish cakes and then roll fish cakes in flour.
- 6. In a separate bowl, lightly beat eggs and 1 tablespoon milk and dip the fish cakes in egg mixture.
- 7. Roll fish in breadcrumbs then shallow fry in olive oil until golden brown.
- 8. Serve with sweet chilli sauce and salad.



Kangaroo Red Curry with Warrigal Greens

20 minutes preparation + 15 minutes cooking

Ingredients:

#### Method:

- 2 cups of rice 2 teaspoons of canola or olive oil 400g kangaroo meat, sliced into strips 2 medium onions, sliced 3 teaspoon of red curry paste  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of chicken stock 500g of pumpkin, finely diced 2 red capsicums, seeded and finely sliced Rind of 1 lemon, grated 250ml of reduced-fat coconut milk 1 bunch of warrigal greens, blanched quickly in boiling water and drained and roughly chopped.
- 1. Cook rice following packet directions.
- 2. Heat half the oil in a large pan, pan-fry kangaroo for 5 minutes until brown and set aside.
- 3. Heat remaining oil and pan-fry onion until tender.
- 4. Stir through curry paste, stock, kangaroo, pumpkin, capsicums and grated lemon rind.
- 5. Simmer for 10 minutes until pumpkin is soft, adding a little water if necessary.
- 6. Add coconut milk, stir through blanched warrigal greens and cook until heated through. Do not boil. Serve over rice.

Note: Warrigal greens need to be blanched in boiling water and drained before eating.



### Curried Prawns

20 minutes preparation time + 35 minutes cooking time By Maxine Brown



Ingredients:

2 cups of rice 1 tablespoon of canola or olive oil 1 quarter of a cabbage, sliced 1 celery stick, diced 1 medium onion, sliced 1 large carrot, diced 1 cup of broccoli, cut into small pieces 1 cup of diced zucchini 2 teaspoons of chicken stock 3 teaspoons of curry powder 1kg of fresh prawns of your choice <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup of plain flour

- 1. Cook rice following packet directions.
- Finely slice cabbage, celery and onion. Sauté in oil for 15 minutes.
- Add diced carrot, zucchini, broccoli and chicken stock with ½ a cup of water and cook for 15 minutes.
- 4. Add peeled prawns.
- 5. Mix the plain flour and curry powder with a little water into a paste then add, cook for 10 minutes and serve with steamed rice.



Sweet Chilli Crab

15 minutes preparation time + 10 minutes cooking time

#### Ingredients:

4 blue swimmer crabs or
1 mud crab
1⁄4 cup of tomato sauce
1⁄4 cup of sweet chilli sauce
3 teaspoons of water
1 teaspoon of brown sugar
1⁄4 cup of olive oil
3 cloves of garlic
3 large red chillies
11⁄2 teaspoons of grated
fresh ginger
1 bunch of shallots,
chopped
Chopped coriander

- 1. Clean crab and break each crab in to 4 pieces.
- Prepare the sauce first by mixing ¼ cup of tomato sauce, ¼ cup of sweet chilli sauce,
   teaspoons of water and
   teaspoon of brown sugar
   together to create a runny sauce and move sauce to one side.
- 3. Put oil in a frying pan or wok and heat until hot. Add crab and cook until shells are red in colour (approx. 8 minutes).
- 4. Add 3 cloves of garlic,
  3 chillies and 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> teaspoons of grated ginger and cook until fragrant.
- 5. Add sauce and mix until sauce thickens (approx. 2 minutes).
- 6. Add chopped shallots and cook for 2 minutes and remove from heat. Add the coriander and serve.



Kangaroo Spaghetti

10 minutes preparation time + 25 minutes cooking time By Terry Rankmore

Ingredients:

tablespoon of olive oil
 600g of kangaroo mince
 500g of fresh mushrooms,
 sliced
 1 onion, diced
 1 large green
 capsicum, sliced
 1 large red
 capsicum, sliced
 1 bunch of celery, sliced
 1 can of diced tomatoes
 Parsley
 4 cups of cooked pasta
 1 tablespoon of
 tomato paste

- 1. Heat 1 tablespoon of olive oil in wok or frying pan.
- 2. Brown mince then add onions, mushrooms, celery, capsicum and cook for 10 minutes.
- 3. Add the canned tomato and tomato paste and simmer for 5 minutes.
- 4. Boil the pasta until cooked.
- 5. Serve the mince on top of the cooked pasta and garnish with parsley.



Sweet and Sour Warrigal Greens

5 minutes preparation time + 5 minutes cooking time By Terry Rankmore



Ingredients:

Method:

500g of washedwarrigal green2 apples2 teaspoons of sugar3 tablespoons ofwhite vinegar

- Blanch warrigal greens for 1-2 minutes and drain.
- 2. Peel and grate both apples.
- 3. Place both in frying pan adding the vinegar and sugar.
- 4. Cover the frying pan with lid and cook for 3-4 minutes.
- 5. Season to taste with desired herbs.



Kanga Bangas

15 minutes preparation time + 20 minutes cooking time By Lenice Husband



Ingredients:

large sweet potato, diced
 zucchini, diced
 broccoli, cut into chunks
 tablespoon of olive oil
 8 kangaroo sausages
 small tub of light
 cottage cheese
 handful of baby spinach
 tablespoon of
 Greek yoghurt
 teaspoon of
 Moroccan seasoning
 lemon

- 1. Steam sweet potato, zucchini and broccoli until tender.
- 2. Heat olive oil in a frying pan or wok and cook the kangaroo sausages for around 10 minutes or until cooked.
- 3. When the vegetables are cooked, separate the sweet potato and lightly mix it with the cottage cheese.
- 4. Mix together the Moroccan seasoning and Greek yogurt.
- 5. Serve the sausages over the sweet potato mixture with a drizzle of yogurt dressing on top.
- 6. Serve with a side of the broccoli, zucchini and baby spinach with lemon squeezed on top.



Kangaroo Fillet

25 minutes preparation time + 10 minutes cooking time By Lenice Husband

Ingredients:

2 teaspoons of olive oil <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> teaspoon of chilli flakes 1 teaspoon of soy sauce 2 gloves of crushed garlic <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> teaspoon of grated ginger Juice of 1 lime 500g of kangaroo fillet

- 1. Mix together the olive oil, chilli flakes, soy sauce, garlic, ginger and lime together in a bowl.
- 2. Thinly slice the kangaroo fillet.
- 3. Add the kangaroo fillets to the bowl and let sit for 15 minutes.
- 4. Pan cook or BBQ the kangaroo fillets until cooked.
- 5. Serve either with green vegetables or green salad.



### Smoked Eel Patties

15 minutes preparation time + 15 minutes cooking time By Mark Olive



- smoked eel
   cooked sweet potato
   teaspoon of lemon myrtle
   Chopped desert lime
   egg, separated
   teaspoon of
   Mountain Pepper
   hand full of chopped dill
   teaspoons of cornflour
- 1 tablespoon of olive oil

#### METHOD:

- 1. Skin and debone the eel and break up the meat into a bowl.
- 2. Add the cooked sweet potato and mash together.
- 3. Add lemon myrtle, desert lime, egg yolk, mountain pepper, dill and corn flour, mix thoroughly.
- 4. Roll the mix into small balls and flatten out to form patties then dust with a little cornflour.
- 5. Heat frying pan with a little oil and fry off patties until golden brown, remove from pan and drain on greaseproof paper.



Abalone Stir-fry

10 minutes preparation time + 15 minutes cooking time By Christine Steel



Ingredients:

1-2 abalone, thinly sliced
2 teaspoons of olive oil
1-2 teaspoons of
Chilli paste
Pinch of pepper
2 cloves of garlic,
finely chopped
1 packet of
hokkien noodles
1 packet of frozen
asian mixed vegetables
1 lemon, squeezed

- 1. Thinly slice the abalone then tenderise with a mallet.
- 2. Heat the olive oil in a frying pan or wok and add garlic, chilli paste, pepper and cook for 2 minutes.
- 3. Soak the hokkien noodles in boiling water for 5 minutes.
- 4. Whilst the noodles are soaking, add abalone to frying pan and cook until golden brown.
- 5. Add the Asian vegetables to frying pan and cook for 10 minutes.
- 6. Add the hokkien noodles and lemon juice to taste.



Salt and Pepper Squid

5 minutes preparation + 10 minutes cooking Fred's Bush Tucker



Ingredients:

cup plain flour
 tablespoons Outback
 Spirit – Wild Herb Salt
 tablespoon of cracked
 pepper (or you
 can substitute
 Mountain Pepper)
 750g calamari rings
 tablespoon of olive oil
 lemon

- 1. Combine the flour, salt and pepper in a shallow dish.
- 2. Lightly toss calamari in the flour mixture shaking off any excess flour.
- 3. Heat the oil in a medium frypan.
- 4. Fry calamari for 2-3 minutes (or until lightly brown) on each side.
- 5. When cooked, pat excess oil off with a paper towel.
- 6. Serve with lemon wedges and a fresh garden salad.



Abalone Rissoles

20 minutes preparation + 10 minutes cooking By Adrian Webster



Ingredients:

6 legal size abalone, minced
½kg of pork mince
2 cloves garlic, finely diced
1 bunch chives, chopped
1 onion, finely chopped
1 capsicum, finely diced
1 cup of plain flour
1 tablespoon of olive oil

- 1. Mince abalone and mix with pork mince.
- 2. Finely chop garlic, onion, chives and capsicum.
- 3. Add to minced abalone and pork and mix well.
- 4. Roll mix into balls.
- 5. Roll balls in plain flour.
- 6. Add oil to pre heated pan.
- 7. Flatten rissoles and add to pan.
- 8. Turn when the bottom turns to a golden brown colour.
- 9. Remove from pan when the second side turns golden brown.
- 10. Serve with fresh green salad.



Pippie Rissoles

10 minutes preparation +10 minutes cooking By John Bolt



Ingredients:

- 24 pippies, minced2 tablespoons of plain flour1 egg2 onions, finely choppedMixed herbs of your choice1 tablespoon of milk
- 1. Mince pippies.
- 2. Put pippies, flour, egg, onions, herbs into a mixing bowl and slowly add milk to achieve the right consistency.
- 3. Add heaped tablespoon lots into frying pan or oven and cook until golden brown on both sides.
- 4. Serve with lemon or lime and green salad or vegetables.



Curried Pippie Soup

10 minutes preparation + 20 minutes cooking By Ronnie Thomas



Ingredients:

 tablespoon of sunflower oil
 large onion, sliced
 4 teaspoons of Keens
 Curry powder (to taste)
 medium carrots, cut into slices
 large potatoes, cut into chunks
 ½kg of pippies (soaked in bucket of salt water overnight to remove sand)

#### Method:

- Place pippies in saucepan and cover with water about 3cm above level of pippies. Bring to boil and simmer till pippies open.
- 2. Remove pippies and save water for stock.
- 3. Fry onion.
- 4. Add curry powder to onion.
- 5. Add carrot and potato and stir to coat with oil and curry powder.
- 6. Add stock and simmer for about 10 minutes.
- Add pippies and simmer for 30 minutes until vegetables are soft.
- 8. Optional: Gradually add flour and stir in to thicken soup.

Note: Optional add to boiled rice or serve with damper



Curried Fish Soup

10 minutes preparation + 15 minutes cooking By Ronnie Thomas



Ingredients:

 whole fish or 2 fillets of Mullet or Bream, scaled, gutted and de-head
 tablespoon of sunflower oil
 teaspoons of Keens
 teaspoons of Keens
 arry powder
 large onion, finely diced
 carrots, sliced
 potatoes, cut into chunks

- 1. Lightly poach fish in water.
- 2. Drain and save water as stock.
- 3. Fry onion.
- 4. Add curry powder.
- 5. Add carrots and potatoes, cook until coated in oil and curry powder.
- 6. Add stock water.
- 7. Cook vegetables until almost soft.
- 8. Add fish and simmer for around 5 minutes.
- 9. Serve with damper.



Grilled Mullet

5 minutes preparation + 10 minutes cooking By Ronnie Thomas



Ingredients:

1 Mullet filleted

2 lemons

- 1. Fillet mullet, keeping skin on and place on foil.
- 2. Squeeze lemon juice on mullet fillet.
- 3. Place under grill.
- 4. Grill until golden brown.
- 5. Serve with lemon wedges and damper or salad.



Grilled Lobster

10 minutes preparation + 15 minutes cooking By Ronnie Thomas

Ingredients:

1 lobster Reduced fat cheese Pepper to taste

- 1. If the lobster is live place in fresh water to drown.
- 2. Steam or boil for around 12-14 minutes.
- 3. Cut down the middle.
- 4. Pull out string or intestine.
- 5. Lay halves under grill flesh side up and cover with cheese and pepper.
- 6. Grill till cheese melts and bubbles.
- 7. Serve with salad.



Syster Kilpatrick

**10 minutes preparation + 5 minutes cooking** By Ronnie Thomas



Ingredients:

12 oysters1 tablespoon ofworcestershire sauce1 slice of bacon,finely choppedReduced fat cheese, grated

- 1. Open oysters and remove top shell.
- 2. Pour worcestershire sauce over oyster in shell.
- 3. Cover oyster with bacon.
- 4. Cover bacon with grated cheese.
- 5. Place under grill until cheese bubbles and then eat.



Bread and Butter Pudding

20 minutes preparation time + 40 minutes cooking time By Maxine Brown



Ingredients:

litre of milk
 eggs
 tablespoons of
 white sugar
 teaspoons of
 vanilla essence
 slices of bread toasted
 (can also use sultana bread)
 lemon or lemon
 myrtle leaves
 teaspoons of

ground nutmeg

- 1. Preheat oven to 180°C.
- 2. Combine milk, eggs, sugar and vanilla essence.
- 3. Toast bread, butter all slices then cut into quarters.
- 4. Lay the lemon leaves in baking dish.
- 5. Lay toast quarters over the top and make sure that the base is covered.
- 6. Pour the egg mixture over the top of the toast.
- 7. Sprinkle nutmeg all over the top, then cook for 40 minutes.



Baked Wattleseed Cheesecake

20 minutes preparation time + 1 hour cooking time By Mark Olive



Ingredients:

- packet plain biscuits
   150g melted
   low-fat margarine
   250g of light ricotta cheese
   teaspoons of lemon
   or lime rind
   tablespoon of semolina
   tablespoons of buttermilk
   eggs (separated)
   4 cup caster sugar
   tablespoons of wattleseed
   tablespoon icing sugar,
   for dusting
- 1. Preheat oven to 180°C.
- Crush biscuits in a large bowl. Slowly incorporate the margarine and mix to combine.
- 3. Press into the base of a lightly greased 24cm spring form tin, chill until firm.
- 4. To make the filling, beat the ricotta cheese, lemon rind, semolina, buttermilk, egg yolks and wattleseed with an electric mixer.
- 5. Beat the egg whites and fold them into the cheese mixture to combine. Pour mixture over biscuit base and bake in oven for 1 hour.
- 6. Dust with icing sugar.



## Choko Cake or Muffins

10 minutes preparation + 25 minutes cooking for muffins or 1 hour for cake By Pat Storey



 cup self-raising white flour
 cup self-raising wholemeal flour
 cup brown sugar
 cup of sultanas or dried fruits
 cup chopped nuts
 100g melted low-fat margarine or olive oil spread
 eggs, beaten
 cups of grated choko

1 cup of grated carrot

- 1. Pre heat oven to 180°C or 160°C for fan forced.
- 2. Lightly grease or line with baking paper a cake tin (approximately 20cm x 20cm) or to make muffins use a muffin tray.
- 3. Add all dry ingredients into a bowl.
- 4. Add the melted margarine and eggs then add the choko and carrot. Mix well.
- 5. Pour mixture into cake tin or spoon into a muffin tray and bake for approximately 1 hour and 20 minutes for cake and approximately 25 minutes for muffins.
- 6. Allow to cool for 5 to 10 minutes before removing from pan.



Orange and Wattleseed Muffins

**10 minutes preparation + 15 minutes cooking** By Fred's Bush Tucker



Ingredients:

- 2 cups self-raising flour
  1 tablespoon of
  caster sugar
  1 tablespoon of
  roasted wattleseed
  100g low-fat margarine or
  olive oil spread
  ½ cup orange marmalade
  1 egg, lightly beaten
  ½ cup milk
  1 tablespoon of icing sugar,
  for dusting
- 1. Pre-heat oven to 210°C. Prepare a 12 hole muffin tin with patty cases. Sift flour and sugar into a bowl.
- Add roasted wattleseed and stir. Make a well in the centre of the mix.
- 3. Combine margarine and marmalade in a small pan. Stir over a low heat until the marmalade becomes runny and the margarine has melted.
- 4. Add margarine mixture and combined egg and milk to the flour mixture and stir until just combined (do not overbeat) – the batter should be quite lumpy.
- Spoon batter into lightly oiled muffin tin and cook for 10-12 minutes or until golden.
- 6. Transfer to a wire rack to cool and dust with icing sugar before serving.





**10 minutes preparation + 40 minutes cooking** By Stewart Luland



Ingredients:

1kg of self-raising flour
1 teaspoon of salt
1 tablespoon of low-fat
margarine or olive
oil spread
250ml of milk
500ml of water
1 egg, beaten

#### Method:

- 1. Pre-heat oven to 160°C.
- 2. Warm milk and margarine until mixed. Add cold water.
- 3. Mix flour (900g) and salt in large bowl, make a hole in the centre of flour and add <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> of liquid at a time, stir, till all the liquid is used.
- 4. Flour bench with some of remaining flour.
- 5. Knead dough until smooth and mould into shape. Try not to over knead.
- 6. Sprinkle flour in bottom of baking dish and place damper dough in baking dish.
- 7. Brush egg mix on top of damper.
- 8. Bake in oven for 40 minutes.
- 9. Tap to check if cooked. When tapped, the damper sounds hollow.
- 10. When cooked, put a clean tea towel on bench, sprinkle with water and sit damper on top. Cover damper with the tea towel and sprinkle with more water. This stops crust from crumbling. Wait 1 hour to cut.

Note: Better flour = better damper.



Johnny Cakes

10 minutes preparation + 20 minutes cooking By Stewart Luland



Ingredients:

1 kg self-raising flour
1 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon low-fat
margarine or olive
oil spread
250ml milk
500ml water
1 egg, beaten
1 tablespoon of canola oil

- 1. Warm milk and margarine until mixed. Add cold water.
- 2. Mix flour (900g) and salt in large bowl, make a hole in the centre of flour and add <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> of liquid at a time, stir, until all the liquid is used.
- 3. Flour bench with some of remaining flour.
- Knead dough until smooth and mould into shape. Try not to over knead.
- 5. Make dough into patties about the size of a hamburger pattie or size of the palm of your hand.
- 6. Heat oil.
- 7. Add patties and cook until golden brown on both sides.



Lilly Pilly Jam

1 hour and 20 minutes By Alicia Dunning

Ingredients:

1kg Lilly Pillies2 green apples, dicedJuice of 2 lemonsWater1kg sugar3-4 jars

- 1. Pick and de-seed the Lilly Pillies.
- 2. Sterilise the jars by washing them and then placing them into the oven at 150°C.
- 3. Dice the 2 apples leaving the skin and core intact, then add the Lilly Pillies and apples to a stock pot.
- Cover the fruit with water and lemon juice and then boil until soft (should take approximately 45minutes).
- 5. Measure the water and pulp and slowly add the same amount of sugar.
- 6. Boil the mixture until it sets Put a small amount of liquid and fruit onto a plate and place in freezer. After a few minutes run a utensil through the liquid and if it looks like jelly then it is ready. If you have a thermometer then setting temperature is 150°C.
- 7. Fill jars with the liquid while its still hot and put the lid on straight away. This process will seal the jars.



### Chilli Sauce

20 minutes preparation + 30 minutes cooking By Jason Sharp



Ingredients:

40 Thai chillies Hot water 13 cloves of garlic <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cup of castor sugar 1 teaspoon of salt <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup of white vinegar 2 teaspoons of fish sauce

#### Method:

- 1. Cut the green stipule off the chillies and then cut the chillies down the long axis. Soak cut chillies in hot water for a few minutes to soften them. Avoid vapour.
- 2. Work the chillies over with your hands (wear rubber gloves) a bit to get some of the seeds out then put them into the blender.
- 3. Add 13 cloves of garlic, ⅔ cup of castor sugar, a teaspoon of salt and then blend it together.
- When it's reasonably chopped up add <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup of white vinegar and blend it again.
- 5. Place into a saucepan and cook and stir over a moderate heat. It bubbles up, so you'll know if you have the temp too high. Again avoid the vapours. The mixture is ready when it thickens a bit say around the 20–30 minutes.
- 6. Let it cool a bit then add2 teaspoons of fish sauce. Stir in then bottle the sauce.
- 7. It's easier to bottle the mixture when it is still warm. Seal the bottles while still warm and they will be sealed/preserved.

Handy hint: Make sure all the windows are open and the place is well ventilated. If you have a shed out back then consider doing it out there because aroma will hang around the house for a few days.



Myrtle and Ginger Jea Lemon J

5 minutes preparation time By Mark Olive



Ingredients:

Method:

- 2 cups of water8 fresh /dried lemonmyrtle leaves5cm piece of ginger, peeledand sliced2 teaspoons of honey
- 1. Bring water to the boil, add lemon myrtle leaves, honey and simmer for 5 minutes.
- Turn off the heat, cover and allow to steep for a further 10 minutes (at least) to allow the flavours to infuse. Strain and serve.

Note: To make a refreshing summer thirst quencher, allow the tea to cool, and then add the juice of 2 oranges and some ice, stir and serve.



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