

Coconut Shrimp with Dipping Sauce



Ingredients:

- Ib large shrimp 21-25 count, peeled and deveined with tails left on
- ¹/₄ cup all-purpose flour
- ¹/₂ tsp garlic powder
- ¹/₂ tsp salt
- 2 large eggs beaten with a fork
- 1¹/₂ cups sweetened shredded coconut
- ¹/₂ cup Panko
- light olive oil or vegetable oil or coconut oil
- 1 lime cut into wedges, to serve
- ¹/₄ cup sweet chili sauce
- ¹/₄ cup apricot preserves or apricot fruit spread

Method:

- 1. Rinse shrimp in cold water and pat dry with paper towels.
- 2. Set up 3 shallow bowls. In the first, stir together ¼ cup flour, ½ tsp garlic powder and ½ tsp salt. In the second, beat 2 eggs with a fork. In the third, combine 1 ½ cups coconut flakes and ½ cup Panko bread crumbs.
- 3. Dredge shrimp in flour, then dip in beaten egg and finally dip in crumb mixture using your hands to press the coconut crumb mixture onto your shrimp. Transfer to a platter and once all shrimp are breaded, either sauté right away or refrigerate for later.
- 4. Place a large pan over medium heat and add enough oil to generously cover the bottom (1/4" deep). Once oil is 350°F, add shrimp and sauté 2 minutes per side until golden brown and shrimp is pink and cooked through. Cook in batches and don't overcrowd the pan.
- 5. Stir together ¹/₄ cup sweet chili sauce with ¹/₄ cup apricot preserves. Serve shrimp with dipping sauce and squeeze fresh lime juice over finished shrimp before serving if desired.