

Szechnan Pepper Tuna with Fresh Thai Salad

SERVES 4

INGREDIENTS

480g tuna steaks 4 tbs Szechuan pepper 1/3 cup of dill, chopped 1 tbs salt flakes 1 tbs olive oil Lemon wedges and chilli (optional) to serve

Dressing

3 tbs fish sauce

- 4 limes juiced and zested
- 3 large red chillies, sliced
- 1 stick lemongrass, chopped (white part only)
- Equal sweetener (optional)

Salad

150g bean shoots
½ Chinese cabbage (wombok), finely sliced
10 kaffir lime leaves, sliced
3 large red chillies, seeded and finely sliced
1 large red pepper, seeded and finely sliced
½ bunch of mint, leaves only
½ bunch of coriander, leaves only
1 punnet cherry tomatoes, halved
150g snow peas or mangetout, thinly sliced
100g fresh green beans, thinly sliced

METHOD

- 1. Finely crush the pepper in a mortar and pestle or grinder.
- 2. In a bowl combine the pepper, dill, and salt. Coat the tuna steaks on both sides with the spice mix.
- 3. Heat the oil in a non-stick frying pan over medium heat. Cook the tuna for 2-3 minutes on each side or until cooked to your liking. It should remain pink in the middle.
- 4. Divide the salad into four bowls, place the tuna on top, serve with lemon wedges. Garnish with chilli if desired

Salad

Combine all ingredients in a large bowl.

Dressing

- 1. Using a mortar and pestle (or a small food processor) to grind all the ingredients, except the Equal, until the chilli and lemongrass form a paste. Strain the dressing through a sieve and sweeten to taste with the Equal (optional)
- 2. Pour the dressing on the salad and toss well.

