

VIETNAMESE-STYLE CABBAGE STIR-FRY

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- A few sprigs fresh coriander (cilantro)
- 2-3 star anise
- Dash of chilli flakes
- 3 Tbsp soy sauce, divided
- 2 Tbsp sake, or dry sherry
- 1 Tbsp roasted sesame oil
- Oil for frying
- 300 g (3 medium) carrots
- 800 g (1¾ pounds) sweetheart cabbage
- 250 g firm Tofu
- 1 Tbsp chopped peanuts (optional)



INGREDIENTS

(SERVES 3)

 Peel and julienne the carrots. Trim the outer leaves and cut the cabbage into ½ cm (¼") x 5 cm (2") slices. Medium-dice the Tofu. Roughly chop the coriander leaves. Roughly chop the peanuts, If using.



2. Bring a pot of salted water to a boil. Add the carrots and return to boiling. Simmer until tender, about 1 minute, scoop out with a slotted spoon and put into a colander to drip-dry.



3. Next, add the cabbage and return to boiling. Simmer for about 1 minute, scoop out with a slotted spoon and put it into the colander with the carrots. Cover to keep warm.



4. Heat a non-stick frying pan on medium flame. Put in the Tofu and stir-fry until golden-brown, then add 1 Tbsp of soy sauce and stir-fry until all the liquid evaporates.



5. Heat a wok or a stew pot on a medium flame and add a Tbsp of oil, star anise, chili flakes and stir-fry. Then put in the fried Tofu. Next, add the carrots.



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6. Add then the cabbage and stir-fry for one minute. Add 2 Tbsp of soy sauce, sake, and sesame oil. Stir-fry for a further minute. Turn off the flame.



7. Serve with fresh coriander, chopped peanuts, Indonesian soy sauce.



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