Cauliflower and Mushrooms with Home Made XO sauce

Serves 4 as a side with rice and salad

Ingredients

1 cauliflower head, sliced into 1.5cm flat pieces (supposed to resemble small steaks)

Olive oil to drizzle

1 tsp five spice powder

200 grams of cooked adzuki beans

Coriander leaves and sliced spring onion to garnish

Sauce

1 tsp seaweed, soaked in hot water for 20 mins

3-4 pieces of porcini mushroom, soaked in hot water for 20 mins

2 tbsp plus 2 tsp of sunflower oil

1½ tbsp tamari

1 garlic clove, boiled for 10 minutes

1 spring onion finely chopped

150g of fresh mushrooms, mix of oyster and Swiss brown, sliced

1 red chilli, finely chopped

2 cm piece of ginger, finely chopped

½ cinnamon stick

1/2 star anise

Black pepper

Method

- 1. Preheat oven to 200° C.
- 2. Place cauliflower on baking trays and drizzle with olive oil and sprinkle with five spice.
- 3. Bake for 15 minutes then turn over and bake for a further 10 minutes or until nicely browned.
- 4. To make the sauce, whisk sunflower oil and tamari and pour into a large fry pan or wok.
- 5. When heated, add garlic and spring onion and sauté for 2 minutes.
- 6. Squeeze porcini mushrooms (reserve liquid) and finely chop.
- 7. Drain seaweed.
- 8. Add all mushrooms, seaweed, ginger, chilli, cinnamon stick, star anise and black pepper to taste and cook on a low heat for 10 minutes.
- 9. Stir in adzuki beans and add the porcini soaking liquid if more moisture is needed.
- 10. To serve; remove cinnamon stick and star anise. Place cauliflower on a serving plate and spoon sauce over. Garnish with spring onions and coriander.

