Sweet and Sour Cauliflower with Rice Noodles

Ingredients

250g rice noodles
100g besan flour
refined organic sunflower oil for frying
800g cauliflower cut into florets
1 capsicum sliced in fine strips
1 tbsp sesame seeds
4 spring onions sliced fine
few leaves of bok chop finely shredded
Salt and pepper (white pepper is best if you can find it)

Sweet & Sour Sauce

4 Medjool dates or 6 dried
2 tbsp apple cider vinegar
2 tbsp tamari
1 tomato
1 clove garlic
1 tsp of cornflour or rice flour

Method

- 1. For the sweet and sour sauce, place everything except the corn flour in a blender and blend. Add to a saucepan and bring to the boil on a low heat. Mix the cornflour with 2 tbsp water and add this to the sweet and sour mix once it has boiled. Stir until the sauce thickens and take off the heat.
- 2. For the batter mix the besan flour with 1 cup water and add the garlic and a big pinch of salt and pepper. Mix until there are no lumps.
- 3. Fry the capsicum in a frying pan with a splash of oil for a few minutes and set aside.
- 4. Set a frying pan on the heat with some oil and then dip each piece of cauliflower in the batter and fry in the frying pan 1 to 2 minutes each side. When cooked, place them on a baking paper lined tray and pop in the oven on 80C° to keep warm.
- 5. Prepare the noodles as per packet instructions and place them on a platter.
- 6. While the noodles are cooking reheat the sweet and sour sauce
- 7. Top the noodles with the fried cauliflower and capsicum then pour on the sweet and sour sauce and sprinkle on the spring onions and sesame seeds.

