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Fried Butterfly Shrimp

Enjoy this crispy and flavorful shrimp dish, perfect as an appetizer or main course. The simple preparation results in a delightfully crunchy exterior and succulent interior, complemented by zesty sauces and fresh herbs.



© Prep Time
15 Minutes
10 Minutes

Difficulty
Easy

Non Veg

Servings
Four Person

Ingredients
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Directions

- Butterfly the shrimp by making a shallow cut along the back of each shrimp and gently pressing down to open them up. Pat the shrimp dry with paper towels.
- In one shallow bowl, place the flour (or cornstarch).
- In a second bowl, whisk together the eggs and water.
- In a third bowl, combine the panko breadcrumbs, Old Bay seasoning, pepper, and salt.
- Dredge each shrimp in the flour, shaking off any excess. Dip it into the egg wash, then coat it in the seasoned panko breadcrumbs, pressing lightly to adhere.
- Heat the oil in a large skillet or deep fryer over medium-high heat. The oil should be hot but not smoking (around 350°F or 175°C).
- Carefully add the breaded shrimp to the hot oil, cooking in batches if necessary. Fry for 2-3 minutes on each side, or until golden brown and crispy.
- Remove the shrimp and place them on a paper towel-lined plate to drain excess oil.
- Serve the fried butterfly shrimp with lemon wedges, cocktail sauce, tartar sauce, and a sprinkle of fresh parsley.

⊕ Ingredients

Name	Measurement	Quantity	Notes
Tartar sauce	Other	N/A	for serving
Lemon	Other	N/A	wedges, for serving
Flour	Cups	1	all-purpose or cornstarch
Water	Tablespoons	2	

Name	Measurement	Quantity	Notes
Salt	Teaspoons	0.5	
Pepper	Teaspoons	0.25	
Cocktail sauce	Other	N/A	for serving
Parsley	Other	N/A	fresh, chopped, for serving
Old Bay seasoning	Tablespoons	0.5	
Vegetable oil	Cups	1.5	Canola or peanut oil can be substituted
Shrimp	Pounds	1	large, peeled, deveined, tails on
Egg	Large	2	
Panko breadcrumbs	Cups	3	

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