Crispy Tofu with Coriander

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I regularly make this crispy tofu with coriander. It is the perfect meat substitute, or simply the tastiest side dish.

Tofu and tempeh are perfect in a **vegan diet**. These soybean products can be used in a variety of ways. <u>Beb Vuyk</u> has the most delicious tofu and tempeh dishes in her book. Love her <u>usih with tempeh</u> (tempeh in coconut sauce) or <u>fried tofu to use in a salad</u> (<u>Tahu Pong</u>).



This crispy bean curd with coriander recipe is not in her book, but is certainly inspired by it.

My crispy tofu with coriander is ready in **45 minutes** and is enough for at least **3 people**.

Ingredients

- 1 block tofu (about 400 grams)
- 6 tablespoons of rice flour
- 6 tablespoons of water
- 2 dl frying oil

Herbs

- 3 chopped up garlic cloves
- 5 roasted candle nuts
- 1 teaspoon ketumbar (coriander)

- 1 teaspoon of ginger powder
- 1 teaspoon of salt
- handfull of roughly chopped coriander (also the stems)
- 1. Cut the tofu in half and cut into 2 centimeters slices.
- 2. Make a batter from the rice flour and water.
- 3. Rub garlic, candle nuts, ketumbar, ginger powder and salt into a paste and stir well into the batter.
- 4. Stir in the chopped up coriander.
- 5. Dip the tofu in the batter and fry in the oil until golden brown.



At the supermarket, I buy a block of tofu of about 400 grams. On the photo above you can see half of it but I use the whole block of tofu.

Candle nuts are very fatty nuts that are used to make a bumbu (spice mix) more creamy. They also give the dishes a light nutty flavor.

If you are allergic to nuts, you can leave them out. If your batter threatens to become a little too thin, add half a tablespoon of rice flour. The batter needs to be thick enough to stick well to the tofu.

I think **coriander** not only looks very nice in the cripsy tofu coat, certainly does something to the flavor. It is important to use the stems too. There is more flavor in the stems than in the leaves.

Finely grind the garlic with the herbs together. If the herb paste is nice and fine it mixes well with the batter.

Make sure you use **enough salt.** Tofu does not have much flavour on its own.



I now heat the frying oil and dip the tofu pieces in the batter. Then I fry them in oil **3 pieces** at a time. Otherwise the oil cools down too much.

Your cruispy tofu with coriander is ready when they are golden brown in color. I let them drain on some kitchen paper.

Deep fry sugarsnaps

I also have some sugar snaps left. I coat them with the batter too and deep-fry them just like the tofu. I also fry some coriander leaves I do the same with a few whole and big coriander leaves.

Sauces

You can serve your crispy tofu as a snack with one or two Indonesian sauces. Beb Vuyk has devoted an entire chapter to it. Here you will find the link to the sauces I've made from her book.

This dish can also be a perfect side dish. I eat my crispy tofu with a creamy <u>sayur lodeh</u> and white rice. Selamat makan!



Curious about other <u>tofu and tempeh recipes</u> from Beb Vuyk? View here the recipes I've already made from her book.