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Classic Shrimp Cocktail Sauce

PREP TIME
5 minutes

SERVES
6 to 8

INGREDIENTS

- 1/2 cup ketchup
- 2 tablespoons prepared horseradish, plus more to taste
- 1 teaspoon freshly squeezed lemon juice
- 1/2 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1/2 teaspoon hot sauce
- 1 to 2 pounds large raw shrimp, peeled and deveined(<https://www.thekitchn.com/how-to-peel-amp-devein-shrimp-cooking-lessons-from-the-kitchn-217120>)

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 Whisk together all the ingredients in a bowl. Taste and add more horseradish or any of the other ingredients to suite your taste. When you're happy with the sauce, transfer it to a small serving bowl.
- 2 Cook the shrimp by poaching them in boiling water, [pan-frying them on the stovetop\(//www.thekitchn.com/how-to-quickly-cook-shrimp-on-the-stovetop-cooking-lessons-from-the-kitchn-214397\)](https://www.thekitchn.com/how-to-quickly-cook-shrimp-on-the-stovetop-cooking-lessons-from-the-kitchn-214397), or [roasting them in the oven\(//www.thekitchn.com/how-to-roast-shrimp-in-the-oven-cooking-lessons-from-the-kitchn-204080\)](https://www.thekitchn.com/how-to-roast-shrimp-in-the-oven-cooking-lessons-from-the-kitchn-204080) until opaque. Arrange the shrimp around the cocktail sauce and serve hot or cold.

RECIPE NOTES

Make-ahead: The cocktail sauce can be made up to a week ahead and kept refrigerated. The shrimp can be cooked a day ahead and served cold.