Bulgogi

Ingredients

- 1 lb (450 g) thinly sliced beef (ribeye or sirloin)
- 1/4 cup soy sauce
- 2 tbsp sugar
- 2 tbsp sesame oil
- 1 tbsp rice wine or mirin
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1-inch piece of ginger, grated
- 1 small onion, grated or finely chopped
- 1-2 green onions, chopped
- 1 tbsp sesame seeds
- 1/2 tsp black pepper
- 1 medium carrot, julienned (optional)
- 1 small pear, grated (optional for sweetness)

Instructions

- 1. In a large bowl, combine soy sauce, sugar, sesame oil, rice wine, garlic, ginger, onion, green onions, sesame seeds, and black pepper. If using, add the grated pear for extra sweetness.
- 2. Add the thinly sliced beef to the marinade, ensuring all pieces are well coated. Cover and refrigerate for at least 30 minutes, or up to 2 hours for deeper flavor.
- 3. Heat a grill pan or skillet over medium-high heat. Add the marinated beef (and carrot, if using) to the pan in a single layer. Cook for 3-4 minutes on each side, or until the beef is browned and cooked through.
- 4. Remove the beef from the pan and transfer to a serving plate. Garnish with additional sesame seeds and chopped green onions, if desired. Serve with steamed rice and side dishes like kimchi.