

Thai Beef Salad, "Yum Nuea"

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This is one of my wife's, Donna's, favorite foods on earth. Donna loves beef and the tang that comes with this recipe makes your palate stand up and cheer.

Ingredients

1 lb beef. Any beef can be used such as the top sirloin used in this recipe.

Salad:

1/4 cup sliced onions, separated
2 tomatoes, wedged
1/4 cup sliced cucumber
1/4 cup thinly sliced [Thai chile peppers](#)

Sauce:

1/4 cup [fish sauce](#)
1/4 cup [lime juice](#)
1 tablespoon [sweet dark soy sauce](#)
3 tablespoons minced garlic
3 tablespoons minced [ginger](#)
3 tablespoons chopped coriander/cilantro (including the roots)
1/4 cup chopped green onions (spring onions)
1/4 cup chopped shallots (small red or purple onions)
1 tablespoon [sesame oil](#)
1 tablespoon [chili oil](#)

Nam Prik Narok (Hell Fire Sauce) - If you like it hot!:

oil to deep fry
2 pound of filleted white fleshed freshwater fish
2 cups [Thai chile peppers](#)
1/2 cup garlic
1/2 cup shallots
3 tablespoons [shrimp paste](#)
1/4 cup fish sauce
3-4 tablespoons [palm sugar](#).

Cooking Method

Barbeque the beef, and thinly slice it into bite sized pieces. Combine with the salad ingredients, and mix the sauce and toss the whole.

Variants: This can also be made with pork (yum moo), or even with shrimp (yum khoong) . An interesting variant is to use thinly sliced luncheon meat or even Spam. Vegetarians can experiment with using a julienned vegetable mix in place of the meat.

Serving:

Serve with [sticky rice](#), lettuce, condiments and dipping sauce. You can also put a few [Thai green peppercorns](#) on the BBQ and add them with the garnish (makes a very nice touch, as this all goes together very well).

Nam Prik Narok Sauce:

Flake the fish and deep fry until the flakes turn golden brown. Chop the chilis, shallots and garlic, then [charcoal] broil them briefly and beat the ingredients together in a [mortar and pestle](#) or food processor to form a smooth paste.

Place in a small saucepan or [wok](#) and cook on medium high until the mixture forms a bubbling paste.

The resultant sauce paste may be stored, when cold, in a tight fitting jar, for several weeks.



[Sauce ingredients](#)



[Barbeque the beef](#)



[Slice into 1/4" pieces](#)



[Put them all together](#)



[Add the sauce & mix](#)



[Serve and enjoy](#)