Sweet & Sour Pork

Makes 4 servings

3/4 pound boneless pork butt, cut into 3/4-inch cubes

Marinade

2 tablespoons soy sauce1 tablespoon rice wine or dry sherry

Sauce

1/4 cup fresh lemon juice
3 tablespoons distilled white vinegar
1/4 cup water
2 tablespoons ketchup
2 teaspoons soy sauce
1/2 teaspoon tabasco sauce
3 tablespoons packed brown sugar
1 tablespoon cornstarch

1 egg, lightly beaten
Cornstarch for dry coating
Cooking oil for deep-frying
½ cup lychees (fresh or canned)
¼ cup fresh pineapple chunks
1 small red bell pepper, cut into 1-inch squares
Orange slices, for garnish

In a medium bowl, combine pork and marinade ingredients; stir to coat. Set aside for 15 minutes. Combine sauce ingredients in a saucepan; set aside.

Place egg and cornstarch in separate bowls. Dip pork in egg; drain briefly. Then dry coat in cornstarch, shaking off excess.

In a wok or stir-fry pan, heat oil for deep-frying to about 350 – 360 degrees F. Add pork, a few pieces at a time. Cook, turning occasionally, until pork is golden brown, about 3 minutes. Lift out and remove with a slotted spoon or strainer; drain on paper towels.

Cook sauce over medium-high heat, stirring, until sauce boils and thickens. Stir in lychees, pineapple chunks and bell pepper. Reduce heat and simmer 1 minute.

Place pork on a serving plate and pour sauce on top.

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