INGREDIENTS

4 long green chillies (deseeded and chopped) 2 birds eye green chillies (chopped) 2 shallots (roughly chopped) 2 lemongrass stems (trimmed and finely chopped) 2-3cm galangal (sliced thinly) 4 kafir lime leaves (stem removed, torn) 4 cloves garlic (peeled) 1 tsp dried shrimp paste (optional) 2 tsp lime zest (grated) 1 tsp ground coriander 1 tsp ground cumin 1/4 teaspoon white pepper 1/2 teaspoon ground turmeric 1-2 coriander roots and stem (if you have it!) 1/4 cup coriander leaves (loosely packed) 2 - 3 tbsp water (as needed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Combine all ingredients except water in a powerful blender or food processor
- 2. Blend to a fine paste, scraping down the sides as you go. Add water as required to help it blend (you may not need any as the herbs and chillis have moisture)
- 3. Best used immediately. Otherwise, refrigerate for up to 2 days, or freeze for 1 month

TOP TIP

For a store-bought jar of curry paste, simply add these to make it your own: 2 large garlic cloves (minced)

 $2 \operatorname{tsp}$ fresh ginger (finely grated)

1 tbsp lemongrass paste

Fry off these ingredients until fragrant then add in the store-bought paste and follow its instructions from there.



Thai Green Curry Paste

makes curry for 4 \bigcirc 20 minutes

While there is nothing wrong with a bought curry paste - there is something special about making your own. The flavours it brings to the curry are so fresh and fragrant - and eating it you are guaranteed to feel like you have been transported to Thailand!

Make the effort worthwhile - do a double batch of the paste and freeze the rest for another time.



