

Gin Cured Salmon, Cucumber, Dill Mayonnaise

Makes 2



INGREDIENTS

For the gin cured salmon:

Itsp black peppercorns

- 1 tsp juniper berries
- I tsp fennel seeds
- 1 tsp cumin seeds
- 5 stalks of dill finely chopped

Zest of 1/2 a lemon

1/2 tsp salt

1/2 tsp caster sugar

2 tbsp gin

150g salmon skinned & trimmed

To serve:

1tsp capers

1/3 of a cucumber

1tsp gin

For the dill mayonnaise:

5 sprigs of dill

50ml mayonnaise

1/2 tsp dijon mustard

Pinch cayenne pepper

Pinch of salt

Zest of 1/2 a lemon

Dash of white wine vinegar

METHOD

For the gin cured salmon:

I. In a small pan toast the spices and place into a pestle and mortar and grind down. Add the dill stalks, I/2 lemon zest, sugar, salt and gin to make the cure.

- 2. Place the salmon into a plastic bag, add the cure mix and infuse for a least 2 hours but no more than 24 hours.
- 3. Skin the cucumber, and using a peeler slice into fine ribbons. Place the ribbons in a bowl along with the capers and gin. Keep chilled until required.

For the dill mayonnaise:

- I. Place all the ingredients into a pot and blend
- 2. Place into a piping bag, chill until required.

To cook and serve:

- I. Pre-heat the oven to 180°C.
- 2. Place a large piece of parchment paper on a work surface.
- 3. Place the salmon on the paper a third of the way down from the top edge. Spoon over a little of the cure, fold to create a parcel.
- 4. Place the salmon on a baking tray and cook for 10-12 minutes.
- 5. Remove the salmon from the paper and place on to a serving plate with the cucumber ribbons draped on top. Decorate with piped bulbs of dill mayonnaise.