Heart-healthy Spanish Meal

- ➤ Gambas al Ajillo (Garlic Shrimp)
- ➤ Roasted Brussels Sprouts

Nutrition Facts
Amount Per Serving
Calories 358
Total Fat 23 g
Saturated Fat 3 g
Monounsaturated Fat 15 g
Polyunsaturated Fat 3 g
Trans Fat 0 g
Cholesterol 172 mg
Sodium 499 mg
Potassium 681 mg
Total Carbohydrate 13 g
Dietary Fiber 4 g
Sugars 3 g
Added Sugars 0 g
Protein 27 g
Vitamin A 26%
Vitamin C 170%
Calcium 12%
Iron 25%

Gambas al Ajillo (Garlic Shrimp)

Makes 4 servings

Ingredients

- 1 pound medium shrimp, shelled
- ¼ teaspoon kosher or sea salt
- ¼ cup extra-virgin olive oil
- 6 cloves garlic, peeled and coarsely chopped
- 2 small bay leaves
- 2-inch piece of dried red chile pepper, seeds removed, or ¼ to
 ½ teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
- 2 tablespoons minced parsley

Preparation

Sprinkle the shrimp on both sides with salt. Let them sit at room temperature for about 15 minutes.

In a small shallow casserole (preferably Spanish earthenware), combine the oil, garlic, bay leaf, and chile pepper (or crushed red pepper flakes), and sauté over medium-high heat until the garlic just begins to color. Add the shrimp and cook, stirring, until the shrimp are just done, about two to three minutes (if the shrimp have turned opaque at the center, they are sufficiently cooked). Sprinkle with parsley and serve immediately in the casserole dish, accompanied by whole-grain crusty bread for dunking.

Nutrition Facts
Amount Per Serving
Calories 249
Total Fat 16 g
Saturated Fat 2 g
Monounsaturated Fat 10 g
Polyunsaturated Fat 2 g
Trans Fat 0 g
Cholesterol 172 mg
Sodium 325 mg
Potassium 240 mg
Total Carbohydrate 3 g
Dietary Fiber 0 g
Sugars 0 g
Added Sugars 0 g
Protein 23 g
Vitamin A 9%
Vitamin C 10%
Calcium 7%
Iron 17%

Note: For added flavor, add sliced shallot rings to taste.

Roasted Brussels Sprouts

Makes 4 servings

Ingredients

- 1 pound Brussels sprouts
- 1 shallot, sliced
- 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- Freshly ground black pepper, to taste

Preparation

Heat oven to 400° F.

Trim bottom of Brussels sprouts, and slice each in half lengthwise. Mix them in a bowl with the shallot, olive oil, salt, and pepper. Transfer to a sheet pan and roast for 20 to 25 minutes, until crisp on the outside and tender on the inside. Shake the pan from time to time to brown the sprouts evenly. Serve immediately.

Nutrition Facts
Amount Per Serving
Calories 109
Total Fat 7 g
Saturated Fat 1 g
Monounsaturated Fat 5 g
Polyunsaturated Fat 1 g
Trans Fat 0 g
Cholesterol 0 mg
Sodium 174 mg
Potassium 441 mg
Total Carbohydrate 10 g
Dietary Fiber 4 g
Sugars 3 g
Added Sugars 0 g
Protein 4 g
Vitamin A 17%
Vitamin C 160%
Calcium 5%
Iron 8%