Brussels sprouts and shiitake lo mein

SERVES 6 30 MINUTES

Billy Ngo, now chef at Kru, a Japanese restaurant, shared this dish (and the rest of the menu) inspired by his previous restaurant, Red Lotus.

1 oz. dried shiitake mushrooms
4 oz. dried thin egg noodles
1/4 cup vegetable oil, divided
1 lb. brussels sprouts, trimmed and
halved
1/2 small yellow onion, sliced
1 tbsp. minced garlic
1/2 tsp. each white pepper, sugar,
and kosher salt
1/2 cup vegetable broth
2 cups mung bean sprouts, rinsed
2 green onions, sliced diagonally
Soy sauce

- Put mushrooms in a heatproof bowl. Bring a medium saucepan filled with water to a boil. Ladle 2 cups water over mushrooms and let sit until very soft, 15 to 20 minutes.
- Add noodles to pan and cook until tender, about 6 minutes.
 Drain and set aside.
- 3. Heat 2 tbsp. oil in a wok or large frying pan over high heat. Add brussels sprouts and onion and cook 3 minutes. Drain mushrooms and squeeze out any excess liquid, then add to wok. Cook, stirring occasionally, until onion starts to soften and brussels sprouts are bright green, about 3 minutes. Add garlic and cook until fragrant, about 2 minutes. Stir in



seasonings and broth and cook until most of liquid is gone, about 3 minutes.

4. Add remaining 2 tbsp. oil and the noodles, tossing to coat, and cook until hot, about 2 minutes. Add bean sprouts and cook just until warm.

Transfer to a serving dish and sprinkle with green onions.

Serve with soy sauce.

PER SERVING 214 CAL., 43% (92 CAL.) FROM FAT: 6.3 G PROTEIN; 11 G FAT (1.3 G SAT.); 26 G CARBO (4.3 G FIBER); 286 MG SODIUM; 19 MG CHOL.

Shanghai buck cocktail

SERVES 2 | 10 MINUTES

Put 2 tsp. grated fresh ginger, ½ tsp. aromatic bitters, and 2 tbsp. lime juice into each of 2 tall cocktail glasses. Fill glasses with ice. Add ½ cup light rum and 12 oz. ginger beer, dividing both evenly.

PER SERVING 260 CAL., 0% (0.4 CAL.) FROM FAT; 0.1 G PROTEIN; 0.04 G FAT (0 G SAT.); 28 G CARBO (0.1 G FIBER); 12 MG SODIUM; 0 MG CHOL.