Thakkali Paruppu Dosai / Tomato lentil dosa



Dosa is a fermented crepe made from rice and black lentils. It is getting popular around the world because of taste and crispy texture. Thakkali paruppu dosai does not need any fermentation. There are two types of rice, one is parboiled rice and other one is raw rice. In this recipe I used toor dal , parboiled rice, tomatoes, red chillies coconut and spices. Addition of tomatoes gives tanginess and vibrant color, red chillies gives spicy taste, carbs and protein from rice and dal. So this dish gives you well balanced of all nutrients. Best accompaniment for this tomato dosa are coconut chutney or peanut chutney or sambar or podi.

Ingredients

1 and 1/4 Cup of Parboiled Rice
2 Tbsp of Toor Dal
3 Large Size Tomatoes, Chopped
2 Tbsp of Desiccated Coconut Flakes / Grated coconut
4-5 Red Chillies
1 Tsp of Fennel Seeds
Few Cilantro(Coriander) Leaves, Finely Chopped
7 – 10 Curry Leaves
Salt to Taste
Oil as Needed

Method

- Soak the dal and rice separately for 5 – 6 hrs. After that wash the dal and rice in cold tap water.
- In a blender, add toor dal, rice, tomatoes, coconut flakes, red chillies, coriander(cilantro)leaves, curry leaves and salt, Grind it until the mixture turns smooth.
- Transfer this batter to a bowl, add fennel seeds and mix well. If you need more salt, you can add it at this stage.
- Add water if batter is too thick. Heat a dosa pan or tawa, take a ladle full of batter, spread it like thin dosa. Drizzle some oil over the dosa or in sides. Cook both sides until it turns crisp.
- Serve this dosa with your coconut or peanut chutney or sambar or podi. I had it with urad dal chutney.

Tips

- You can add chopped green chillies instead of red chillies.
- Always cook dosa in medium flame.
- You can add more tomatoes if your tomato are not tangy.

- You can avoid fennel seeds, if you don’t want.
- Adjust the number of red chillies according to your spicy level.
- You can add little jaggery if you want for a slight sweet taste.
- If you are making this for breakfast , soak rice and dal overnight and grind them in the morning.

Health Benefits

Tomatoes

- Tomatoes are rich in vitamin A, C, K and Potassium.
- They are a natural cancer fighter.
- They are a good source of chromium which helps to regulate blood sugar.


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