

**Samai Idli Recipe / Little
Millet Idli / Millet Idly**

Samai Idly



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Today recipe is samai idli recipe. Idli is one of my favourite breakfast dish. Idly is a classic south Indian food made with rice or millet, urad dal and fenugreek. They are great source

of carbohydrates and protein. Fermentation process increases protein bioavailability. As it was steamed, they are healthy and they are easily digestible. When I visited India, my mother in law gave me few bags of millets, so I wanted to try some new recipes with millet. So coming to the recipe, samai Idli / little millet idli / chama idli, this recipe has been in my try to do list.. Millets like kuthiravalli, varagu, thinai can be replaced in place of rice. So the method of making samai idli is same as normal idli recipe. Also you can use the same batter to make samai dosa. Serve this samai idli with [sambar](#) or [chutney](#). So here comes the samai idli recipe.

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Ingredients for Samai Idli Recipe

- 1 Cup of Samai (Little Millet)
 - 1 Cup of Idly Rice
 - 1/2 Cup of Urad Dal
 - 1/2 Tsp of Fenugreek
 - Salt to taste

Method for Samai Idli Recipe

- Soak the samai, idly rice together and soak urad dal and fenugreek separately for overnight.
- Next day, wash the urad dal and fenugreek and grind it in a grinder with required water until the batter turns fluffy and soft.
 - Wash the samai and idly rice, grind it in a grinder with required water until the batter turns little coarse not too smooth.
 - Transfer both the batter to the bowl, add salt, mix the batter well with hand. Ferment it for overnight.
- Next day, mix the batter with laddle, then grease the idly plate with oil, pour the idly batter and steam it for 12 mins. Remove it from idly plate.
- Serve the samai idly with your favourite chutney. I had it with carrot chutney.

Tips

- Millets may contain stones. so clean the stones before you use.
 - You can use same batter to make dosa.
 - You can grind it in mixie too.
- If you don't want to add idly rice, add 2 cups of samai and 1/2 cup of urad dal and 1/2 tsp of fenugreek.
- Don't add too much of water while grinding the idly batter. If your batter is thin, your idly will turn flat. If your batter is thick, then your idly will turn hard.
- Don't cook idly for more than 12 mins, then your idly will be hard.
- Take out the batter from fridge 30 mins before you cook idly.

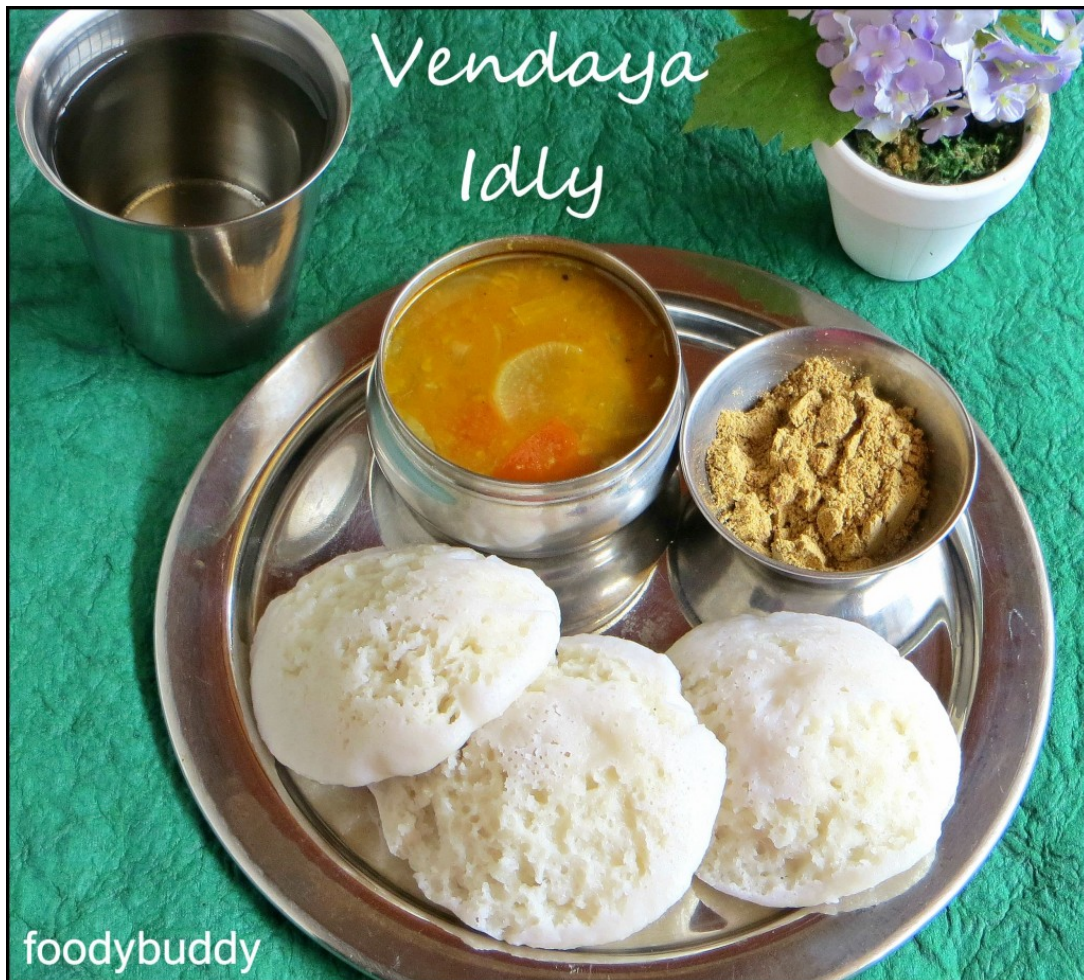


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Vendhaya Idli / Fenugreek Idli Recipe

Vendhaya Idli Recipe / Fenugreek idli / Methi idly recipe is simple and easy to make south Indian breakfast dish. Some people might think that adding fenugreek would make idly tastes bitter...but that is not true, it makes the idly soft and tasty, you don't taste the bitterness. I got this recipe from my amma and this idly recipe is without urad dal, also diabetic friendly idly dish. Those who are allergic to dal, can have this vendhaya idli for breakfast or dinner. Best accompaniment for this vendayam idly are [sambar](#), [tomato chutney](#) or idly podi. Making vendhaya idli once in a week, keeps our body cool, healthy and fresh.



- Preparation Time : 10 hrs
- Cooking Time : 10 Mins
- Serves : 4 people

Ingredients

- 3 Cups of Idly Rice
- 3 Tsp of Fenugreek
- Salt as required
- Soak the fenugreek in water for 4 hrs. Soak the idly rice in water for 2 hrs.
- In grinder, first grind the fenugreek and add water little by little. Grind the fenugreek until you get soft and fluffy batter. Make sure the fenugreek batter looks similar to urad dal batter. Remove and transfer it to a

bowl.

- Grind the rice separately and transfer the batter to the same bowl. Mix both the batter with hand along with salt. Let it ferment for overnight.
- The next day, mix the batter with laddle before making idly. Pour the batter in idly plate and steam it for 10 mins. you can wet the hand and dip the index finger to check if it is cooked. If it is sticky, steam it for another 2 mins.
- Hot, soft fenugreek idly is ready to serve with [coconut chutney](#) or [onion tomato chutney](#) or [peanut chutney](#).

Tips

- Always soak fenugreek and rice separately because the bitterness which gets imparted with rice makes idly bitter.
- Use your hand for mixing for better fermentation.
- For best result of batter, use wet grinder rather than mixie.

Health Benefits of Fenugreek

- 26.2 gram of protein in 100 grams of fenugreek.
- Cure arthritis, skin problems and improve digestion.
- Treat diabetes and lowers blood sugar level.
- Ease child birth for pregnant women.
- Aid milk production in lactating women.



Soft Methi Idly

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