

BENIHANA GINGER SALAD DRESSING

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Before your meal at the Benihana chain of hibachi grill restaurants you are served a side salad doused in this tangy, slightly sweet, **fresh ginger** dressing. When spooned over a simple iceberg lettuce salad this easy clone transforms your bowl of greens into a great start for any meal. Making the dressing is as simple as dumping the ingredients into a **blender**, whizzing it up, and popping it into the cooler to chill. I've seen many attempts to duplicate this coveted formula, but I think the original clone recipe presented here comes closer to the real thing than any other recipe floating around cyberspace.

Source: Top Secret Restaurant Recipes 2 by Todd Wilbur.

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- 1/2 cup minced onion
 1/2 cup peanut oil
 1/3 cup rice vinegar
 2 tablespoons water
 2 tablespoons minced fresh ginger
 2 tablespoons minced celery
 2 tablespoons ketchup
- 4 teaspoons soy sauce
- 2 teaspoons granulated sugar 2 teaspoons lemon juice
- 1/2 teaspoon minced garlic
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper

DO THIS

Combine all ingredients in a blender. Blend on high speed for about 30 seconds or until all of the ginger is pureed. Chill.

Makes 1 3/4 cups.

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