



Tired every now & then, could be a sign of poor oxygen circulation in your body system! **Dan Sheng,** in Chinese herbalogy is known to be beneficial in respiratory tract health & boost up our body's oxygen as well as blood circulation. In addition, coconut water helps to hydrate, replenish & rejuvenate the body's energy.

Serving size: 1 coconut per person.

Benefits: Improves blood glucose level, cardiovascular, blood circulation, dehydration, energy level, liver health, oxygen circulation & respiratory tract health, etc.

Ingredients



Young coconut - 1 no.

Dan Sheng - 4 thin slices. (1 gram)

Chinese almonds (North) – 5 nos.

Chinese almonds (South) - 5 nos.

Goji berries – 5 nos. (1 gram)

Red date - 1 no.

* Daily recommended dosage: Chinese almonds (North) not more than 40 nos; Chinese almonds (North) not more than 40 nos; Dan Sheng not more than 30 grams; Goji Berries 15-30 grams & Red Dates 3-20 nos.

Preparation

- (1) Prepare a wok & place a metal mesh screen then fill water up to metal mesh screen's level, cover wok with a wok's cover and turn on high flame while preparing ingredients.
- (2) Make a cut on the top of the **coconut** & pour out ½ cup of coconut water which you can drink straight away.
- (3) Wash Dan Sheng, Chinese almonds (North) & (South), Goji berries & Red date and place them into the coconut & cover with the cut coconut shell's cover then place the **coconut** into a bowl in the centre of the wok & steam for 1 ½ hours. **Alternatively, you** can steam in a electric steamer which is more convenient.
- (4) After 1 ½ hours, turn off the flame & place the **steamed coconut** on the table, ready to serve. The coconut meat can be eaten together with this drink.

Note

- (1) For energy boosting: Take this drink in the morning.
- (2) Chinese almonds (Also known as Apricot kernels) contain a toxic chemical known as amygdalin which can lead to side effects of cyanide poisoning. Its symptoms are dizziness, headache, low blood pressure, nausea, vomiting, nausea & nerve damage, etc. Therefore, it



is advisable to take not more than 40 nos for each type of **Chinese almonds (North &** South).

- (3) **Dan Sheng** may cause some side effects including dizziness, low blood pressure, nausea, upset stomach & a blood condition called thrombocytopenia, etc so if you experience such symptoms, do take in moderation.
- (4) **Dan Sheng & Red Dates** have not enough reliable information about the safety intake for pregnant or breastfeeding women if you are pregnant or breast feeding so take in moderation.
- (5) Moderate intake of **Dan Sheng** for those who are on **blood thinning medications** or have **bleeding disorders** because **Dan Sheng** may slow down blood clotting.
- (6) Dan Sheng might increase the risk of bleeding during and after surgery. Stop taking them at least 2 weeks before a scheduled surgery.
- (7) Moderate intake of **Goji Berries** if you are pregnant or breast-feeding because **Goji Berries** contain a chemical known as **Betaine** which may cause miscarriage.
- (8) **Red Dates** might increase your insulin level or lower your blood sugar level so **take in** moderation.
- (9) **Red Dates** might interfere the **blood sugar levels during and after surgery**. Stop taking it at least 2 weeks before a scheduled surgery.

Caution: To drink this soup at an interval of $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 hours from medications.