



Merry Lime Muddlers

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Prep Time 10 / **Cook Time** / **Serves** 4 - 6

Fun-Da-Mentals Kitchen Skills

garnish: to decorate a dish or plate of food to enhance its flavor or appearance, using things like parsley, fruit slices, or edible flowers.

muddle: to press or crush ingredients, like fruit, sugar, and herbs, with a tool called a “muddler” so that all the fresh flavors are released when liquid is added.

Equipment

- Cutting board + kid-safe knife
- Measuring spoons
- Liquid measuring cup

Ingredients

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- 2 limes
- 6 whole basil leaves
- 3 T sugar
- 6 to 12 zucchini slices
- 2 C cold water
- 2 C ice

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Instructions

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wash + roll + cut

Wash **2 limes**, then roll them under your hands before slicing them into wedges. Rolling them helps get the juices flowing and will make it easier to squeeze out the juice. Next, cut the limes into wedges.

smack + combine

Smack **6 basil leaves** between your palms. This helps warm the leaves and release their aroma. Next, combine the lime wedges, basil leaves, and **3 tablespoons of sugar** into a pitcher.

muddle + stir + garnish

Muddle the ingredients in the pitcher—which means to mix or jumble them up! Use a muddler or potato masher and get all the fresh flavors out of the lime, basil, and sugar. Add **2 cups of cold water** and **2 cups of ice**, stir and divide between cups. Garnish each cup with a **zucchini slice!**