Chili Crisp

Ingredients

- ½ cup garlic cloves
- 3 large shallots
- 3 dried shiitake mushrooms
- ¼ cup dried chile de arbol, stems and seeds removed
- ¾ cup dried chile tipo Japones, stems and seeds removed
- 1 tsp sugar
- Kosher salt
- 1 cup canola oil
- 3 Tbsp toasted sesame oil
- 1 Tbsp toasted sesame seeds



Preparation

- 1. Thinly slice garlic and shallot using a mandoline or very sharp knife
- 2. Line a sieve with paper towel fitted over a heat safe bowl
- 3. Blend dried mushrooms in a blender until broken down to a fine powder and set aside
- 4. Add chiles to blender and pulse to form pepper flakes roughly the size of a sesame seed
- 5. Transfer to heat-proof bowl along with sugar and 2 teaspoons salt and set aside
- 6. Bring oil and garlic to a simmer in a small pot over medium high heat
- 7. Cook until garlic turns golden brown, about 5 minutes
- 8. Quickly strain oil onto paper towel lined sieve
- 9. Transfer garlic to cutting board
- 10. Return oil to pan over medium high heat, add shallot and gradually fry until golden brown, about 6 minutes
- 11. Place paper towel lined sieve over the bowl with crushed chiles
- 12. When shallots are done, immediately pour over paper towel lined sieve set on top of crushed chiles
- 13. Finely chop both garlic and shallot, then add to bowl with chiles
- 14. Stir in sesame oil and toasted sesame seeds
- 15. Let cool completely before tasting, adjusting salt if needed