

Panda Express Introduces Five Flavor Shrimp to WokSmart Menu Lineup

Home of American Chinese cuisine creates protein-packed shrimp dish with big flavor and fewer calories

ROSEMEAD, Calif. (March 8, 2017) – Panda Express, America's favorite Chinese kitchen, introduces Five Flavor Shrimp, a limited-time entree, to its better-for-you WokSmart™ menu. Five Flavor Shrimp is the latest evidence of Panda Express' focus onbringing simply delicious and healthful meals to guests through quality ingredients skillfully prepared by Panda chefs.

As Americans increasingly seek <u>nutritional dishes with bold flavor combinations</u>, the Panda Express culinary team took inspiration from Shanghainese cuisine and blended rich, savory and pungentingredient stocreate a multi-dimensional sauce that pairs perfectly with the dish's large, succulent shrimp, fresh cut green beans, red bell peppers and onions.

"We've captured a delicious blend of five tastes to produce a new menu item that pleasantly surprises the palate," said Chef Jimmy Wang, director of Culinary Innovation at Panda Express. "As the home of American Chinese cuisine, we are constantly working to introduce our guests to inventiveflavor combinations that are rooted in Chinese origins and shaped by American originality. I'm very proud of what the team has created with Five Flavor Shrimp."

Five Flavor Shrimp is packed with 14 grams of protein and only 210 calories per serving. Guests can order the dish online at www.PandaExpress.com/Order, through Panda's mobile app or by visiting any of Panda's 1,900 locations from now through August 1.

Panda Express is also known for delivering guests delicious American Chinese cuisine in its famous Panda Bowls. Paired perfectly with Five Flavor Shrimp, the Panda Bowl's single-serving sizeprovides guests the opportunity to indulge while ensuring their meal is still balanced and nutritious. In 2016, more than 75 million Panda Bowls were sold in the U.S.

For more information on Panda Express, please visit <u>www.PandaExpress.com</u>. For media inquiries, please contact <u>Panda@havasformula.com</u>.

About Panda Express

Panda Express, America's favorite Chinese kitchen, is best known for its wide variety of original recipes including its Original Orange Chicken™, SweetFire Chicken Breast®, award-winning Honey Walnut Shrimp™ and Shanghai Angus Steak™. Founded in 1983 and now with more than 1,900 locations throughout the U.S., Puerto Rico, Guam, Guatemala, Canada, Mexico, Dubai, Saudi Arabia, Korea, and Japan, Panda Express is part of the family owned and operated Panda Restaurant Group, the world leader in Asian dining experiences that also includes Panda Inn and Hibachi-San. For more information, visit pandaexpress.com, or follow on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram.

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