# Shrimp and Asparagus Dijonnaise in Puff Pastry

Makes 18 appetizers

## Ingredients:

## **Dijonnaise Dressing**

½ cup mayonnaise
2 tablespoons Dijon mustard
½ teaspoon lemon zest
½ teaspoon lemon juice

## **Appetizers**

18 asparagus spears, trimmed

18 packaged cocktail phyllo shells

18 shrimp, cooked and peeled

2 teaspoons chopped fresh citrus mint leaves, such as lemon or orange



#### **Directions:**

To prepare the dressing, combine the mayonnaise, Dijon mustard, lemon zest and lemon juice in a small bowl and mix well.

To prepare the appetizers, place the asparagus in a large skillet and cover with cold water. Bring to a boil and remove from the heat. Let stand, covered, for 3 minutes. Drain and rinse with cold water and pat dry. Cut off the tips and reserve for garnish. Cut the remaining spears into 1/4-inch pieces and place in a bowl. Add the dressing and toss to coat. Chill, covered until ready to use.

Prepare the phyllo shells as per package directions. Spoon 1 teaspoon of the asparagus mixture into each shell. Place a reserved asparagus tip straight into each and wrap with a shrimp. Sprinkle with mint. Serve immediately or chill until serving time.

#### Notes:

Purchase shrimp that will fit nicely in the pastry shells. Remove the tail shells from the shrimp to facilitate eating the appetizer.

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