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Reviving Seafood Cocktail – Coctel Vuelve a la Vida

Ingredients (for one portion)

A variety of seafood, such as:

9-10 medium	shrimp; cooked and peeled
½ cup	octopus; one tentacle tip saved for garnish
1/3 CUP	baby clams; cooked (out of the shell, at home, or from can)
Other choices: fresh oysters, crab meat, cooked squid	
1 small	tomato; washed, stem spot removed and chopped
2 tbsp	red onion; peeled and chopped
2 tbsp	cilantro; washed and chopped, a few leaves saved for garnish
1	serrano pepper; washed, stem removed, and sliced finely
3-4 slices	avocado; washed, peeled, and sliced just before serving
¼ cup	liquid from cooking seafood
2-3 tbsp	ketchup
1	lime; washed, and halved
¼ cup	orange soda, such as Orange Crush™
Salt and pepper, to taste	
Soda crackers	

Reserve 2 shrimp whole for garnish, then slice the rest, and mix with the rest of the seafood in a thick glass goblet or serving bowl. Layer tomatoes, onions, cilantro and serrano peppers on top. In a cup, mix reserved liquid from cooking seafood, ketchup and the juice of half the lime, then pour in orange soda; season with salt and pepper, to taste. Just before serving, arrange avocado slices on top of the veggies, to one side of the glass vessel, and fill with sauce. Garnish with reserved octopus tentacle tip, whole shrimp and cilantro leaves. Serve with the other half of the lime and soda crackers on the side:

