



Mardi Gras - Blackened chicken with dirty rice

Serves: 4

INGREDIENTS

Blacked chicken:

¼ tsp salt
¼ tsp garlic salt
¼ tsp black pepper
¼ tsp white pepper
1 tsp oregano
½ tsp dried thyme
1 tsp paprika
¼ tsp cayenne pepper
6-8 chicken thighs (depending on how many will fit in your pan)
1 tbsp vegetable oil

Dirty rice:

onion, peeled and chopped
 sticks of celery, finely chopped
 jalapeno, finely chopped
 red pepper, sliced into strips
 g chorizo, sliced in half-moons
 tsp cayenne pepper
 tsp paprika
 cloves garlic, minced
 g basmati rice
 tbsp white wine
 m hot chicken stock

To serve:

tbsp chopped fresh parsley
 spring onions, chopped
 jalapeno, sliced
 Pinch of chilli flakes

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PREPARATION

1. Preheat the oven to Circotherm 170C

2. Mix together the spices for the blackened chicken and rub onto the skin of the chicken thighs

3. Heat the oil in a shallow, wide oven-proof pan (the pan should be big enough to hold the chicken in one layer with room to spare). Place the chicken thighs in the hot pan, skin-side down. Cook for 4-6 minutes until the skin is golden brown. Turn oven and cook for another couple of minutes.

4. Remove the chicken from the pan and add in the onion, celery, jalapeno and red pepper. Cook for 3-4 minutes, until the onions are just starting to soften.

5. Add in the chorizo and cook for a further two minutes. Add in the cayenne pepper, paprika and garlic. Stir, then add in the rice. Stir again to coat the rice in the oil.

6. Add in the white wine and let it cook through for a minute, then add in the stock. Give the rice a stir, then nestle the chicken evenly amongst the rice, skin-side up. Place a lid on the pan and place in the oven to cook for 35-40 minutes – until the rice is tender.

7. Take out of the oven and sprinkle with parsley, spring onions, sliced jalapenos and chilli flakes before serving.