today's special 22 AMAZING RECIPES loy Tara Bench illustrations by Hilary Merzbacher photographs by Peter Ardito





Grilled Chicken Tacos

Rub 2 small boneless, skinless **chicken breasts** with a mixture of 1 tsp each **ground cumin, garlic powder, chili powder** and **kosher salt.** Grill chicken. In a skillet or the oven melt some shredded **Pepper Jack cheese** on 6 **corn tortillas.** Top tortillas with the sliced grilled chicken; add chopped **white onion, cilantro,** a squeeze of **lime** and **hot sauce.**

Citrus Chicken Three-Bean Salad

Season 2 small boneless, skinless **chicken breasts** with ½ tsp **kosher salt** and ½ tsp **cumin.** Grill chicken. Rinse

1 can each pinto beans, black beans and cannellini beans and combine. Add 6 finely sliced scallions, 2 tbsp chopped oregano, ½ cup chopped cilantro, zest of 1 orange, ¼ cup orange juice, 2 tbsp lime juice, 2 tbsp olive oil and kosher salt and red pepper flakes to taste. Serve with sliced chicken.

Curry Chicken Salad Sandwiches

Combine ¾ cup mayonnaise, 1 tsp curry powder, 1 tbsp mango chutney, ½ tsp white wine vinegar, ¼ tsp each kosher salt and pepper and 1½ tbsp toasted unsweetened coconut. Add 4 cups

cooked, chopped **chicken**. Spread mixture on slices of **buttered bread**, then top with **lettuce**, sliced **red onion** and toasted **sliced almonds**.

Chicken And Succotash

Have your butcher cut a 4-lb **chicken** into 8 pieces. Season pieces with **kosher salt.** Working in batches, brown pieces in a Dutch oven with 1 tbsp **canola oil** until golden on all sides; remove from pan. In pan sauté 1 cup chopped **onion** and 1 cup diced **red bell pepper** until soft. Add chicken with 1 cup frozen thawed **lima beans,** 1 cup **chicken broth,**

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Taiwanese Basil Chicken

BLOG: Tiny Urban Kitchen

Che likes to freeze leftovers of this sesame-ginger chicken (with the rice, too!), then reheat it for lunch. Heat 1 tbsp **sesame oil** in a large pot or Dutch oven over medium-high heat. Add 10 crushed **garlic** cloves, ¼ cup thinly sliced fresh **ginger** and 3 **scallions** cut into 1-inch pieces; cook 2 min. Add 1 lb cut-up boneless **chicken thighs**, ¼ cup **mirin** (rice wine), ¼ cup **low-sodium soy sauce**, 2 tbsp **sugar** and another tbsp **sesame oil**; bring to a boil and simmer until chicken is cooked and liquid is almost gone, about 15 min. Stir in 1 cup **basil leaves** and serve over **rice**.



% tsp kosher salt, ½ tsp chili powder and ½ tsp dried thyme. Simmer, covered, until chicken is done, about 25 min. Stir in 2 cups frozen thawed **corn** and chopped **parsley** and heat through.

Chicken Kale Caesar Salad

Whisk together 1 cup store-bought Caesar dressing, 2 tbsp grated Parmesan and 1 tbsp chopped capers. Toss 6 cups finely chopped kale (stems removed) with some of the dressing. Top with additional Parmesan, 1 pint halved cherry tomatoes and 3 grilled and sliced chicken breasts.

Spicy Maple-Bacon Drumsticks

Wrap the tops of 12 **skinless chicken drumsticks** with 12 strips **bacon**. Place on a foil-lined baking sheet. Mix together ½ cup **pure maple syrup,** 1 tsp **Tabasco** and ½ tsp **kosher salt.** Drizzle half the mixture over chicken and roast at 400°F until bacon is golden, about 40 min. Drizzle remaining maple sauce over chicken before serving.

Lemon Dill Chicken Soup

In a large pot over medium heat sauté 1 tbsp **olive oil,** 2 minced cloves **garlic** and 1½ cups finely diced **onion** until just

tender. Add 6 cups **low-sodium chicken broth** and 2 bone-in **chicken breasts.**Bring liquid to a simmer, cover and cook until chicken is done, about 20 min.
Shred chicken, discarding bones. Add ¾ cup **orzo;** simmer until tender.
Add chicken, 5 oz **baby spinach,** ¼ cup chopped **dill** and 2 tbsp **lemon juice.**

Greek Chicken Meatballs

Thaw one 9-oz pkg frozen, **chopped spinach** and squeeze out excess water. Combine spinach with 1 lb **ground chicken**, 1 finely chopped **onion**, 1 minced clove **garlic**, 3/4 cup crumbled **feta**, 1/3 cup **plain bread crumbs**, 1 **egg**, 1 tsp **lemon zest**, 2 tbsp **lemon juice**, 1 tsp **dried dill**, 1 tsp **kosher salt** and 1/4 tsp **pepper**. Portion out and roll into 11/2-inch balls; bake at 400°F about 15 min. Serve with **cherry tomatoes** and **romaine lettuce**.

Hoisin Chicken Wraps

Slice 6 scallions into long thin strips; set aside. Heat 1 tbsp sesame oil in a large nonstick skillet. Add 1 tbsp grated fresh ginger and 1 lb thinly sliced boneless, skinless chicken breast and sauté until chicken is cooked through. Add ½ cup hoisin sauce and cook until thickened, about 2 min. Warm 4 flour tortilla wraps and divide chicken and scallions between the tortillas. Wrap and serve.

Sweet Chili Drumsticks

In a zip-top bag combine ½ cup chili sauce (such as Heinz), 2 tbsp soy sauce, 1 tbsp grated ginger, ½ tsp red pepper flakes, 2 tsp sesame seeds, 2 cloves minced garlic and 12 chicken drumsticks. Seal bag; refrigerate 2 hr. Roast chicken and marinade in a foil-lined baking dish at 400°F for 40 min, turning chicken halfway through. Place under the broiler about 2 min to brown.

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Cheddar Jalepeño Chicken Burgers

BLOG: What's Gaby Cooking

Get out of your burger rut with Dalkin's juicy, superflavorful chicken patties. Top them with her favorite condiment: guacamole! Mix together 1½ lb ground chicken, ½ cup finely chopped onion, ¼ cup chopped cilantro, 2 cloves minced garlic, 2 tsp chopped jalapeño, 1 tsp cumin, 1 tsp paprika, ½ cup finely shredded cheddar, 1 tsp kosher salt and ½ tsp black pepper. Form mixture into four ½-inch-thick patties. Grill over medium heat until cooked through, 6 to 7 min per side. Serve on toasted hamburger buns with guacamole, sour cream, salsa and lettuce.



Middle Eastern Chicken Meatballs

Mix together 1 lb ground chicken, 1 clove minced garlic, 1 cup finely diced onion, ½ cup chopped golden raisins, ¼ cup toasted pine nuts, ¼ cup chopped parsley, ¼ tsp each ground cinnamon and allspice, ½ tsp turmeric, 1 tsp ground coriander and 1 tsp kosher salt. With greased hands roll mixture into 1-inch balls and bake at 400°F until cooked through, about 15 min. Serve with a sauce of 1 cup plain Greek yogurt, 1 tbsp lemon juice, 1 clove minced garlic, 3 tbsp milk and a pinch of pepper.

Chicken Bolognese

In a pot or Dutch oven sauté 3 strips finely chopped bacon in 1 tbsp olive oil until just crisp. Add 2 cloves minced garlic, 1 cup finely diced onion and % cup finely diced carrot; cook until veggies are tender. Add 1 lb ground chicken and 2 tsp kosher salt and cook, breaking chicken up. Stir in ¼ cup tomato paste, ¼ cup white wine and % cup chicken broth. Cook covered 5 min, then uncovered until sauce is reduced almost completely. Stir in ½ lb cooked penne. Serve with ricotta and Parmesan and sprinkle with pepper.

Chicken, Apple And Sausage Kabobs

Cut 2 boneless, skinless **chicken breasts** and 1 **apple** into 1-inch pieces. Cut 3 links **sweet Italian sausage** into ½-inch pieces. Combine 2 tbsp **apple cider vinegar,** 1 tsp **kosher salt** and 1 tbsp **apricot jam** and toss with chicken mixture; let marinate for 30 min. Thread on skewers. Grill until just done. Brush with extra apricot jam while hot.

Chicken-Cauliflower Roast

In a large bowl toss 2 lb bone-in **chicken thighs** (about 5 thighs), 1 head



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Simple Orange And Chicken Stir-Fry

BLOG: Kelsey's Kitchen

Nixon is also the star of Kelsey's Essentials on the Cooking Channel. Her tip? Add whatever veggies you've got on hand. Cut 2 boneless, skinless **chicken breasts** into thin strips; toss with 2 tsp **cornstarch** and ¼ tsp **salt**. In a large skillet sauté 1 tbsp **sesame oil** and 1 tsp minced **ginger**. Add chicken; cook through. Stir in ½ cup **bell pepper strips**, ½ cup sliced **snow peas** and ¾ cup sliced **red onion**. Cook until tender. Add 2 tbsp **sweet chili sauce**, 2 tbsp **soy sauce**, 1 tbsp **rice wine vinegar**, ½ cup sliced **baby bok choy**, segments from 1 **orange** and 1 sliced **scallion**. Sauté to heat through; serve with **rice**.



cauliflower cut into ½-inch pieces and 1 pint cherry tomatoes with 1½ tbsp olive oil, 2 tsp Italian seasoning, 1 tsp kosher salt and ½ tsp pepper. Transfer to a rimmed baking sheet; roast at 425°F until chicken and cauliflower are golden, about 40 min. Top with 2 tbsp chopped capers, 2 tbsp toasted pine nuts, 2 tbsp golden raisins and chopped flat-leaf parsley.

Thai Coconut Chicken

In a large skillet over medium-high heat sauté 1 tbsp **olive oil,** ¾ tsp **fennel seeds** and 1 small sliced **red onion** for 1 min.

Add 1 clove minced **garlic**, ¼ tsp **turmeric**, ¾ tsp **dried basil**, ¼ tsp **cayenne** and 1½ tsp **kosher salt**. Thinly slice 2 small boneless, skinless **chicken breasts**, add and cook about 3 min. Stir in 114-oz can **coconut milk** and 1 cup halved **grape tomatoes**. Simmer until chicken is cooked through and sauce is slightly thickened. Serve with **rice**.

Glazed Chicken Meatloaf

Combine 1 lb **ground chicken**, ½ cup finely chopped **onion**, 1 grated **carrot**, 1 small grated **zucchini**, 1 clove minced **garlic**, 1 **egg**, ½ cup **quick-cooking oats**,

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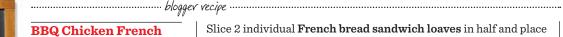
2 tbsp Worchestershire sauce, 1 tsp Italian seasoning and 2 tsp kosher salt. Form into a loaf shape on a foil-lined baking pan. Bake at 350°F for 45 min. Brush on a mixture of ½ cup ketchup and 2 tbsp apricot jam. Return to the oven and cook 15 min more.

Chicken-and-Rice Lettuce Wraps

Mix together 2 cups cooked basmati rice, ½ cup chopped walnuts, ¼ cup dried currants, 1 minced shallot, 1 sliced scallion, 5 minced kalamata olives and 1½ cups shredded cooked chicken. Whisk together 1 tbsp red wine vinegar, 2 tbsp olive oil, ¼ tsp kosher salt, ½ tsp lemon zest, 1 tsp honey and ¼ cup chopped flat-leaf parsley and toss with rice mixture. Serve rice salad wrapped in butter lettuce leaves.

Slow-Cooker Moroccan Chicken

In a slow cooker combine 2 lb cut-up boneless, skinless **chicken thighs**, 2 tsp **kosher salt**, 1 **onion** cut into wedges, 4 **carrots** cut into pieces, ½ a thinly sliced **lemon**, ½ cup **golden raisins**, ½ cup **dried apricots**, ½ tsp **pepper** and 1 tsp each **ground cumin**, **coriander**, **ginger** and **cinnamon**. Add 1 tbsp **olive oil** and 1 cup **chicken broth**. Cook on low 4 hr. Serve over **couscous** with toasted **pine nuts** and chopped **flat-leaf parsley**.



BLOG: Joy the Baker

Bread Pizza

Though she's predominantly a baking blogger, Wilson has some delicious chicken recipes up her sleeve, too. Slice 2 individual **French bread sandwich loaves** in half and place on a baking sheet. Drizzle with **olive oil** and sprinkle on **salt** and **pepper**. Broil until edges are golden brown, then spread each with a thin layer of **BBQ sauce**. Mix together ½ cup **BBQ sauce**, 1½ cups shredded **cooked chicken**, ½ cup thinly sliced **red onion** and ½ cup **cilantro leaves**. Divide mixture over toasts; top with 1 cup shredded **mozzarella** and a sprinkle of **red pepper flakes**. Broil until cheese is melted and top with more cilantro to serve.

