Spicy Tunisian Grilled Chicken

This spicy rub of coriander, caraway and hot pepper is lovely on grilled chicken, as we use it here, or try it on pork tenderloin or salmon. If you prefer your food less spicy, reduce the amount of crushed red pepper.

Makes 4 servings
Active Time: 5 minutes
Total Time: 25 minutes
Course: Dinner

Ingredients

- 2 teaspoons of coriander seeds
- 2 teaspoons of caraway seeds
- 3/4 teaspoon of crushed red pepper
- 3/4 teaspoon of garlic powder
- 1/2 teaspoon of kosher salt
- 1-1 1/4 pounds of boneless, skinless chicken breast (see Note)

Directions
1. Grind coriander seeds, caraway seeds and crushed red pepper in a spice grinder (or mortar and pestle) until finely ground. Transfer to a small bowl and stir in garlic powder and salt.

2. Coat both sides of chicken with the rub up to 30 minutes before grilling or broiling. Preheat grill to medium-high or position a rack in upper third of oven and preheat broiler.

3. To grill: Oil the grill rack (see Tip). Grill the chicken, turning once, until an instant-read thermometer inserted into the thickest part registers 165°F, 4 to 8 minutes per side.

4. To broil: Line a broiler pan (or baking sheet) with foil and coat with cooking spray. Place the chicken on the foil. Broil, watching carefully and turning at least once, until an instant-read thermometer inserted into the thickest part registers 165°F, 10 to 15 minutes total.

**Tip**

Note: It’s difficult to find an individual chicken breast small enough for one portion. Removing the thin strip of meat from the underside of a 5-ounce breast—the chicken tender—removes about 1 ounce of meat and yields a perfect 4-ounce portion. Wrap and freeze the tenders and when you have gathered enough, use them in a stir-fry or for oven-baked chicken fingers. If you can only find chicken breasts closer to 8- to 9-ounce each, you’ll only need 2 breasts for 4 servings—cut each one in half before cooking. Oiling a grill rack before you grill foods helps ensure that the food won’t stick. Oil a folded paper towel, hold it with tongs and rub it over the rack. (Do not use cooking spray on a hot grill.) When grilling delicate foods like tofu and fish, it is helpful to coat the food with cooking spray.

**Make Ahead Tip:**

Store the rub in an airtight container for up to 3 months; coat the chicken with the rub up to 30 minutes before grilling or broiling.

**Nutrition information**

Per serving: 131 calories; 2 g carbohydrates; 3 g fat (1 g sat, 1 g mono); 23 g protein; 63 mg cholesterol; 1 g dietary fiber; 228 mg potassium; 195 mg sodium. Nutrition bonus:

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