Deliciously Healthy Dinners

Main Dishes Part 1

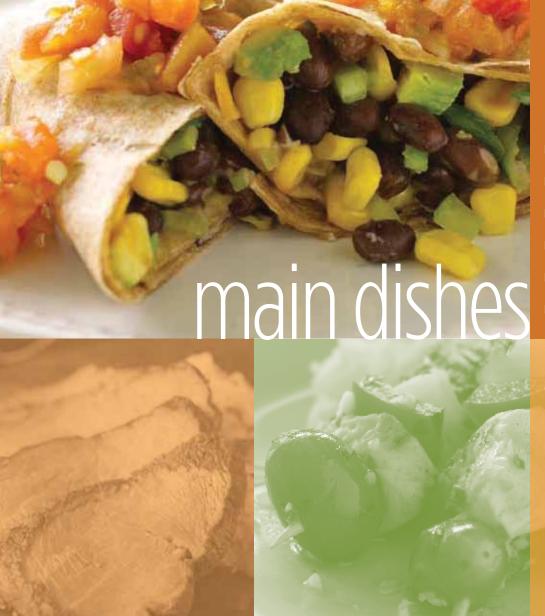


abbreviations

С	cup
lb	pound
oz	ounce
pkg	package
pt	pint
qt	quart
Tbsp	tablespoon
tsp	teaspoon

Nutrient lists use the following abbreviations:

ggran	۱
mg milligram	۱



poultry seafood pork main-dish pastas vegetarian main-dish meals

beef





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cocoa-spiced beef tenderloin with pineapple salsa

- greek-style flank steak with tangy yogurt sauce
- stir-fried orange beef
- mediterranean kabobs
- beef steak with carrots and mint
- broiled sirloin with spicy mustard and apple chutney
- beef steak with light tomato mushroom sauce
- japanese-style beef and noodle soup
- quick beef casserole



COCOA-Spiced beef tenderloin with pineapple salsa

Latin American flavors come alive in this festive beef dish with fruity salsa

1⁄2 Tbsp	vegetable oil	1	Prehea
1 For salsa	beef tenderloin roast (16 oz) a:	2	For the Let sit f the sea
½ C	canned diced pineapple, in fruit juice, chopped into small pieces	3	For the ingredi
1/4 C	red onion, minced fresh cilantro, rinsed, dried,		even la
2 tsp	and chopped (or substitute ¼ tsp dried coriander)	4	Place th and roa
1 Tbsp	lemon juice		temper before
For seas	oning:	5	Serve f
1 tsp	ground black pepper		on the
1 tsp	ground coriander		
1 Tbsp	ground cinnamon		
1⁄4 tsp	ground allspice		
1 Tbsp	cocoa powder (unsweetened)		
2 tsp	chili powder		
¼ tsp	salt		

Tip: Delicious with a side of rice and Grilled Romaine Lettuce With Caesar Dressing (on page 105).

yield:	each serving provides:				
4 servings serving size: 4 oz tenderloin roast, ¼ C salsa	calories total fat saturated fat cholesterol sodium	215 9 g 3 g 67 mg 226 mg	total fiber protein carbohydrates potassium	2 g 25 g 9 g 451 mg	

Prep time: 20 minutes Cook time: 20 minutes

at oven to 375 °F.

e salsa, combine all ingredients and toss well. for 10–15 minutes to marinate while preparing asoning and cooking the meat.

e beef tenderloin seasoning, combine all lients. Lightly oil the tenderloin and spread an ayer of the dry seasoning over the entire roast.

the seasoned roast on a roasting or broiling pan bast for 10–15 minutes (to a minimum internal erature of 145 °F). Let cool for 5 minutes e carving into 16 slices (1 ounce each).

four slices of the tenderloin with 1/4 cup salsa side.



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greek-style flank steak with tangy yogurt sauce

Prep time: 25 minutes Cook time: 25 minutes

lemon, garlic, and oregano bring out the flavors of this bold and flavorful Mediterranean dish

beef flank steak (12 oz) 1

For marinade:

- 1/4 C lemon juice
- 1 Tbsp olive oil
- fresh oregano, rinsed, dried, 2 tsp and chopped (or ¹/₂ tsp dried)
- 1 Tbsp garlic, minced (about 2–3 cloves)

For yogurt sauce:

- cucumber, peeled, seeded, 1 C and chopped
- nonfat plain yogurt **1**C
- lemon juice 2 Tbsp
- 1 Tbsp fresh dill, rinsed, dried, and chopped (or 1 tsp dried)
- 1 Tbsp garlic, minced (about 2–3 cloves)
- ½ tsp salt

- For the marinade, combine lemon juice, olive oil, oregano, and garlic in a large bowl.
- Lay steak in a flat container with sides and pour 2 marinade over the steak. Let the steak marinate for at least 20 minutes or up to 24 hours, turning several times.
- Combine all the ingredients for the yogurt sauce. 3 Set yogurt sauce aside for at least 15 minutes to blend flavors. (Sauce can be prepared up to 1 hour in advance and refrigerated.)
- Preheat oven broiler on high temperature, with the rack 3 inches from heat source.
- Broil steak for about 10 minutes on each side (to a 5 minimum internal temperature of 145 °F). Let cool for 5 minutes before carving.
- Slice thinly across the grain into 12 slices (1 ounce each).*
- Serve three slices of the steak with $\frac{1}{2}$ cup yogurt sauce on the side.

Tip: Try serving in a sandwich with pita bread, lettuce, and tomato.

* For description of how to cut meat across the grain, see FAQs in appendix C (on page 135).

yield:	each serving p	rovides:		
4 servings	calories total fat	181 7 g	total fiber protein	less than 1 g 21 g
serving size: 3 oz steak, ½ C yogurt sauce	saturated fat cholesterol sodium	2 g 36 mg 364 mg	carbohydrates potassium	9 g 329 mg

stir-fried orange beef

tangy orange-flavored beef with crisp vegetables

1 bag 1 Tbsp 1 Tbsp	(12 oz) frozen vegetable stir-fry peanut or vegetable oil onion, minced	1	Thaw place 10 mi
	(or ½ Tbsp dried)	2	Heat
1 Tbsp 1 Tbsp	garlic, minced (about 2–3 cloves) ginger, minced	3	Add c but ne
1 2 Tbsp	egg white, lightly beaten (or substitute liquid egg white) cornstarch	4	Put eq Dip st
12 oz	beef flank steak, sliced into		corns
3 Tbsp	thin strips Hoisin sauce	5	Add s steak
1 Tbsp	lite soy sauce	6	Add H
¹ / ₂ C 1 Tbsp	orange juice dry sherry (optional)		sherry Imme
insh		7	Add t Simm

Tip: Delicious over rice or Asian-style noodles (soba or udon).

yield:	each serving provides:				
4 servings	calories total fat	261 9 q	total fiber protein	3 g 23 q	
serving size: 2 C meat and vegetables	saturated fat cholesterol sodium	2 g 28 mg 418 mg	carbohydrates potassium	23 g 23 g 648 mg	

Prep time: 10 minutes Cook time: 20 minutes

v frozen vegetables in the microwave (or entire bag in a bowl of hot water for about ninutes). Set aside until step 7.

oil in a large wok or sauté pan.

onion, garlic, and ginger and stir fry until tender not brown, about 30 seconds to 1 minute.

egg white in one bowl and cornstarch in another. steak strips into egg white and then coat with starch.

steak strips to pan and continue to stir fry until strips are lightly browned, about 5–8 minutes.

Hoisin sauce, soy sauce, orange juice. and ry (optional), and bring to a boil over high heat. ediately lower temperature to a gentle simmer.

the thawed vegetables and mix gently. ner until vegetables are heated through, about 3–4 minutes.

Divide mixture into four equal portions (about 2 cups each) and serve.





mediterranean kabobs

broiled beef and chicken cubes flavored with lemon and parsley

<i>For mari</i> 2 Tbsp	<i>inade:</i> olive oil	1	Preheat 3 inches
1 Tbsp 2 Tbsp	garlic, minced (about 2–3 cloves) lemon juice	2	Combin betweer meat an
1 Tbsp ½ tsp	fresh parsley, rinsed, dried, and chopped (or 1 tsp dried) salt	3	Mix the pepper sit. Afte
For kabo 6 oz	obs: top sirloin or other beef steak cubes (12 cubes)	4	Place or and red
6 oz	boneless, skinless chicken breast, cut into ³ / ₄ -inch cubes (12 cubes)	5	Grill or k 2–3 min
1	large white onion, cut into ³ / ₄ -inch squares (12 pieces)		minimul and 165 half of t
12 1	cherry tomatoes, rinsed (4 oz) red bell pepper, rinsed and cut into ¾-inch squares (12 squares)	6	Serve th remainin serving
12	wooden or metal skewers, each 6 inches long (if wood, soak them in warm water for 5–10 minutes to prevent burning)		the raw
<i>Tip:</i> Deli	cious served over orzo pasta or rice wit	h a sid	e of Aspa

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yield: 4 servings serving size:	each serving p calories total fat	202 11 g	total fiber protein	2 g 18 g	
3 skewers	saturated fat cholesterol sodium	2 g 40 mg 333 mg	carbohydrates potassium	9 g 431 mg	

Prep time: 15 minutes Cook time: 10 minutes

grill pan or oven broiler (with the rack es from heat source) on high temperature.

ne ingredients for marinade, and divide en two bowls (one bowl to marinate the raw nd one bowl for cooking and serving).

beef, chicken, onion, tomatoes, and red cubes in one bowl of the marinade and let ter 5 minutes, discard remaining marinade.

ne piece of beef, chicken, tomato, onion, pepper on each of the 12 skewers.

broil on each of the four sides for nutes or until completely cooked (to a um internal temperature of 145 °F for beef 55 °F for chicken). Spoon most of the second the marinade over the kebabs while cooking.

nree skewers per serving. Drizzle the ng marinade on top of each kebab before (use only the marinade that did not touch meat or chicken).

paragus With Lemon Sauce (on page 103).

nain dishes

beef

beef steak with carrots and mint

Prep time: 15 minutes Cook time: 15 minutes

a winning combination—a cool, crisp salad with a hot, juicy steak

For steak:

- beef top sirloin steaks, lean (3 oz each)
- ¹/₄ tsp salt
- ground black pepper ¹/₄ tsp
- olive oil ¹/₂ Tbsp

For salad:

- 1 C carrots, rinsed and grated
- **1**C cucumber, rinsed, peeled, and sliced
- olive oil 1 Tbsp
- fresh mint, rinsed, dried, and 2 Tbsp shredded (or ¹/₂ Tbsp dried)
- salt ¹/₄ tsp
- ground black pepper ¹⁄₄ tsp
- orange iuice 1/2 C

- For the steaks, preheat grill pan or oven broiler (with the rack 3 inches from heat source) on high temperature.
- For the salad, combine all the ingredients in a bowl, and mix gently. Marinate salad for at least 5–10 minutes to blend flavors before serving. (Salad can be made up to 3 hours in advance and refrigerated.)
- Season the steaks with salt and pepper, and lightly coat with oil.
- Grill or broil 2–3 minutes on each side, or to your 4 desired doneness (to a minimum internal temperature of 145 °F).
- Remove from the heat and let cool for 5 minutes.
- Serve one 3-ounce steak with $\frac{1}{2}$ cup salad on the 6 side.

Tip: Try serving with Couscous With Carrots, Walnuts, and Raisins (on page 117).

yield:	each serving p	each serving provides:			
4 servings serving size	calories total fat	191 9 q	total fiber protein	1 g 19 g	
3 oz steak, ½ C salad	saturated fat cholesterol sodium	2 g 35 mg 359 mg	carbohydrates potassium	9 g 451 mg	

deliciously healthy dinners

broiled sirloin with

spicy mustard and apple chutney

spicy mustard dressing and sweet-and-sour apple chutney make a tangy combination to excite your taste buds

For chutney:

For chui	ney.	
1	Granny Smith apple, rinsed, peeled, cored, and diced (about 1 C)	
2 Tbsp	shallots, minced	
1 Tbsp	garlic, minced (about 2–3 cloves)	
∕₂ C	canned no-salt-added diced tomatoes	2
2 oz	golden seedless raisins (about ½ C)	
¼ C	apple cider vinegar	3
2 Tbsp	maple syrup	
		4
For stea	K:	
4	beef top sirloin steaks, lean (3 oz each)	
¼ tsp	salt	5
¼ tsp	ground black pepper	
1 Tbsp	olive oil	
For mus	tard dressing:	
2 C	low-sodium beef broth	6
2 Tbsp	Dijon mustard	
2 Tbsp	cornstarch	

Tip: Try serving with a side of steamed broccoli and **Savory Brown Rice** (on page 121).

yield:	each serving p	each serving provides:				
4 servings serving size:	calories total fat	285 8 g	total fiber protein	2 g 23 g		
3 oz steak, ¼ C chutney, ½ C mustard dressing	saturated fat cholesterol sodium	2 g 35 mg 421 mg	carbohydrates potassium	32 g 554 mg		

beef

Prep time: 15 minutes Cook time: 30 minutes

For the chutney, combine all the ingredients in a small saucepan. Bring to a boil over high heat, and simmer for 20 minutes or until apples are cooked and soft. Remove from the heat and hold warm, or cool and store.

For the steaks, preheat grill pan or oven broiler (with the rack 3 inches from heat source) on high temperature.

Season the steaks with salt and pepper, and lightly coat with oil.

Grill or broil 3–4 minutes on each side, or to your desired doneness (to a minimum internal temperature of 145 °F). Remove from the heat and set aside for 5 minutes.

For the mustard dressing, mix together beef broth, Dijon mustard, and cornstarch in a small saucepan. Bring to a boil on medium-high heat while stirring constantly. Lower the heat, and simmer for 2–3 minutes.

Serve each steak with $\frac{1}{4}$ cup of chutney and $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of mustard dressing.

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beef steak with light tomato mushroom sauce

try serving with crusty bread to soak up the incredibly flavorful sauce

- 1 Tbsp olive oil beef top sirloin steaks, lean Δ (3 oz each)
- white mushrooms, rinsed and 4 oz quartered (about 1 C)
- large shallot, minced (about 1 2 Tbsp)
- garlic, minced (about 2–3 cloves) 1 Tbsp
- **1**C canned no-salt-added diced tomatoes
- no-salt-added tomato paste 2 Tbsp
- apple cider vinegar 2 Tbsp
- low-sodium beef broth 2 C
- 1 Tbsp cornstarch
- fresh parsley, rinsed, dried, and 1 Tbsp minced (or 1 tsp dried)
- 1 Tbsp fresh tarragon, rinsed, dried, and chopped (or 1 tsp dried)
- salt $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp
- ground black pepper ¹⁄₄ tsp

Preheat oven to 350 °F.

- Heat olive oil in a large, heavy-bottom sauté pan.
- Gently blot steaks dry with paper towels and then carefully place them in the hot pan.
- Sauté both sides, about 2–3 minutes, until golden to dark brown.

5 Remove steaks from pan, and put them on a baking sheet to finish in the preheated oven for an additional 3–5 minutes or to your desired doneness (to a minimum internal temperature of 145 °F).

- To make the sauce, pour off any excess grease from the pan. Add mushrooms and sauté until lightly brown, about 3–4 minutes.
- Lower the heat, and add shallot and garlic. Cook gently over low heat for about 2 minutes, until tender, but not brown.
- 8 Add tomatoes, tomato paste, and apple cider vinegar, and cook an additional 3 minutes.
- In a bowl, mix beef broth and cornstarch.

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Prep time: 10 minutes

Cook time: 25 minutes

beef steak with light tomato mushroom sauce (continued)



Tip: Also pairs nicely with Cauliflower With Whole-Wheat Breadcrumbs (on page 104).

yield:	each serving p	rovides:		
4 servings	calories	200	total fiber	2 g
serving size:	total fat	8 g	protein	23 g
3 oz steak, ½ C sauce	saturated fat	2 g	carbohydrates	10 g
	cholesterol	35 mg	potassium	569 mg
	sodium	404 mg		

Add broth mixture, parsley, and tarragon to the sauté pan. Bring to a boil on medium-high heat while stirring constantly. Lower the heat and simmer for 2–3 minutes. Season with salt and pepper.

Serve one steak with $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sauce.





japanese-style beef and noodle soup

this hearty main-meal soup is flavorful, yet simple to prepare

For broth:

- shiitake mushroom stems. 4 07 rinsed (remove caps and set aside) (or substitute dried shiitake mushrooms)
- 1 Tbsp garlic, minced (about 2–3 cloves)
- ginger, minced 1 Tbsp
- 1 stalk lemongrass, crushed (or the zest from 1 lemon: Use a peeler to grate a thin layer of skin off a lemon)
- ground coriander 1 Tbsp
- **4** C low-sodium beef broth
- **1** Tbsp lite soy sauce

For meat and vegetables:

- (12 oz) frozen vegetable stir-fry 1 bag
- shiitake mushrooms caps, 4 oz rinsed and guartered
- 8 oz udon or soba noodles (or substitute angel hair pasta), cooked
- 1 lb lean beef top sirloin, sliced very thin
- firm silken tofu, diced 4 oz
- scallions (green onions), rinsed 1⁄4 C and sliced thin

Thaw frozen vegetables in the microwave (or place entire bag in a bowl of hot water for about 10 minutes). Set aside until step 4.

- Combine all ingredients for broth, except soy sauce, 2 in a medium-sized pot or saucepan. Bring to a boil over high heat, then lower heat and simmer for 15 minutes.
- Strain the broth through a fine wire colander, and discard the solid parts. Season to taste with soy sauce.

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Prep time: 25 minutes

Cook time: 15 minutes



japanese-style beef and noodle soup (continued)



- minute.
- 145 °F).

Hint: There are several varieties of tofu, each with a different moisture level. Silken and soft tofu are the moistest and easily blended into shakes, dips, and dressings. Regular tofu is less moist, and it's best for scrambling or using like cheese in casseroles. Firm, extra-firm, and pressed tofus are the driest. They absorb other flavors easily and hold their shape in stir-fries and on the grill.



each serving p

calories total fat saturated fat cholesterol sodium

To finish the soup, bring the broth back to a boil. Add the thawed vegetable stir-fry mix and mushroom caps, and simmer for 1 minute.

Add the noodles and continue to simmer for another

Add the beef and continue to simmer for about 5 minutes or until the beef is slightly pink to brown (to a minimum internal temperature of

Add tofu and scallions, and simmer 1–2 minutes until heated through.

Serve immediately in 1-cup portions.

provides:		
325	total fiber	4 g
8 g	protein	36 g
3 g	carbohydrates	28 g
52 mg	potassium	882 mg
285 mg		



quick beef casserole

Prep time: 10 minutes Cook time: 45 minutes

lean beef, vegetables, and rice are tossed together in this quick and easy casserole

½ lb	lean ground beef
1 C	onion, chopped

- 1 C celery, rinsed and chopped
- 1 C green bell pepper, rinsed, seeded, and cubed
- 3¹/₂ C tomatoes, rinsed and diced
- ¹/₄ tsp salt
- ¹/₂ tsp ground black pepper
- ¹⁄₄ tsp paprika
- 1 C frozen peas
- 2 small carrots, rinsed, peeled, and diced
- 1 C uncooked rice
- 1¹/₂ C water

- 1 In a sauté pan, brown the ground beef.
- 2 Drain off the extra fat by tilting the sauté pan over a disposable cup in the sink to collect the fat. Use the lid to shield the meat from falling out. After the fat has turned solid, discard the cup in the trash.
- 3 Add the rest of the ingredients to the sauté pan, and mix well.
- 4 Cover sauté pan with lid, and cook over medium heat until boiling.
- 5 Reduce to low heat and simmer for 35 minutes. Serve hot.

Tip: To save time, use no-salt-added canned tomatoes and frozen chopped peppers and carrots.

yield:	each serving provides:				
8 servings	calories	201	total fiber	3 g	
serving size:	total fat	5 g	protein	9 g	
1½ C casserole	saturated fat	2 g	carbohydrates	31 g	
	cholesterol	16 mg	potassium	449 mg	
	sodium	164 mg			



ultry

• moroccan chicken stew with couscous

- thai-style chicken curry
- sweet-and-sour chicken
- chicken quesadillas with red and green salsa
- chicken and mushroom fricassee
- chicken and celery stir-fry
- oven-crusted chicken breast
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- cornbread-crusted turkey
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MOTOCCAN chicken stew with COUSCOUS

spice it up with this traditional dish from northern Africa

1 Tbsp olive oil

- skinless chicken legs, split 1 lb (about 4 whole legs)
- 1 Tbsp Moroccan spice blend*
- carrots, rinsed, peeled, and 1 C diced
- **1**C onion, diced
- 1⁄4 C lemon juice
- low-sodium chicken broth 2 C
- ripe black olives, sliced 1/2 C
- salt ¹/₄ tsp
- chili sauce (optional) 1 Tbsp

For couscous:

- low-sodium chicken broth **1**C
- couscous (try whole-wheat **1**C couscous)
- 1 Tbsp fresh mint, rinsed, dried, and shredded thin (or 1 tsp dried)

Heat olive oil in a large sauté pan. Add chicken legs, and brown on all sides, about 2–3 minutes per side. Remove chicken from pan and put on a plate with a cover to hold warm.

- Add spice blend to sauté pan and toast gently.
- Add carrots and onion to sauté pan, and cook for about 3–4 minutes or until the onions have turned clear, but not brown.
- Add lemon juice, chicken broth, and olives to saute pan, and bring to a boil over high heat. Add chicken legs, and return to a boil. Cover and gently simmer for about 10–15 minutes (to a minimum internal temperature of 165 °F).

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Prep time: 15 minutes

Cook time: 30 minutes



moroccan chicken stew with couscous (continued)



- 10 minutes.
- mint.

Tip: Try serving with a side of Cinnamon-Glazed Baby Carrots (on page 113).

* You also can make your own Moroccan spice blend by mixing 1 teaspoon each of ground coriander, ground cumin, ground ginger, and ground cinnamon per 1 pound of meat or chicken. Make this mix in advance and store it in your pantry to use as needed.

¹ / ₂ C sauce cholesterol sodium
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Meanwhile, prepare the couscous by bringing chicken broth to a boil in a saucepan. Add couscous, and remove from the heat. Cover and let stand for

Fluff couscous with a fork, and gently mix in the

When chicken is cooked, add salt. Serve two chicken legs over $\frac{1}{2}$ cup couscous topped with $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sauce in a serving bowl. Add chili sauce to taste.

rovides:

333 12 a 2 g 51 mg 415 mg total fiber protein carbohydrates potassium

6 g 24 g 36 g 478 mg

deliciously healthy dinners





thai-style chicken curry

Prep time: 20 minutes

Cook time: 25 minutes

classic Thai flavors blend together beautifully in this delicious curry; add more green curry paste for a spicy kick

For sauce:

- 1 Tbsp peanut oil or vegetable oil
- ginger, minced (or a 1-inch 1 Tbsp piece, crushed)
- ¹/₂ Tbsp garlic, minced (about 1 clove)
- scallions (green onions), rinsed 1⁄4 C and chopped
- 1 Tbsp lemongrass, minced (or the zest from 1 lemon: Use a peeler to grate a thin layer of skin off a lemon)
- Thai green curry paste 1 Tbsp
- 1/2 C light coconut milk (or use a spoon to discard visible layer of fat off the top of an unshaken can of regular coconut milk; then, measure ½ C for recipe)
- honey 1 tsp
- 1 tsp lite soy sauce
- 1 tsp fish sauce
- 1 Tbsp cornstarch
- low-sodium chicken broth 1/2 C

For chicken and vegetables:

- (12 oz) frozen vegetable stir-fry 1 bag
- boneless, skinless chicken 12 oz breast, cut into thin strips

- Thaw frozen vegetables in the microwave (or place entire bag in a bowl of hot water for about 10 minutes). Set aside until step 7.
- For sauce, heat oil in a small saucepan on medium 2 heat. Add ginger, garlic, scallions, and lemongrass, and cook gently until tender, but not brown, about 2–3 minutes.
- Add curry paste, and cook for an additional 3 2–3 minutes.
- Add coconut milk, honey, soy sauce, and fish sauce, 4 and bring to a boil over high heat.
- 5 In a bowl, mix cornstarch with chicken broth. Add mixture to the saucepan, and return to a boil while stirring constantly.

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thai-style chicken curry (continued)



Tip: Delicious served over rice or Asian-style noodles (soba or udon).

yield: 4 servings serving size: 3 oz chicken, 1 C vegetables	each serving pro calories total fat saturated fat cholesterol sodium
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Lower heat to a simmer, and add chicken strips. Simmer gently for 5–8 minutes.

Add thawed vegetables, and continue to cook gently with lid on until the vegetables are heated through, an additional 2-3 minutes.

Divide into four even portions, each about 3 ounces chicken breast and 1 cup vegetables, and serve.



poultry

ovides: total fiber 207 23 g 7 q protein 3 q carbohydrates 50 mg potassium 249 mg

3 g

14 g

406 mg

sweet-and-sour chicken

Prep time: 15 minutes Cook time: 15 minutes

sweet and sour flavors make a winning combination in this healthier version of a popular Chinese dish

- (12 oz) frozen vegetable stir-fry 1 bag
- peanut oil or vegetable oil 1 Tbsp
- ginger, minced 1 Tbsp
- garlic, minced (about 2–3 cloves) 1 Tbsp
- fresh scallions (green onions), 1 Tbsp minced
- 2 Tbsp rice vinegar
- Asian hot chili sauce 1 Tbsp
- 2 Tbsp brown sugar
- 1 Tbsp cornstarch
- low-sodium chicken broth 1 C
- boneless, skinless chicken 12 oz breast, cut into thin strips
- 1 Tbsp lite soy sauce

- Thaw frozen vegetables in the microwave (or 1 place entire bag in a bowl of hot water for about 10 minutes). Set aside until step 6.
 - Heat oil in a large wok or sauté pan on medium heat. Add ginger, garlic, and scallions, and stir fry until cooked, but not brown, about 2-3 minutes.
- Add the rice vinegar, chili sauce, and brown sugar to 3 the pan, and bring to a simmer.
- In a bowl, mix cornstarch with chicken broth, and add to the pan. Bring to a boil over high heat, stirring constantly. Lower temperature to a gentle simmer.
- Add chicken, and stir continually for 5–8 minutes.
- Add vegetables, and mix gently. Simmer with lid on 6 to reheat, about 2 minutes.
- 7 Add soy sauce, and mix gently.
- Divide into four even portions, and serve.

Tip: Try serving with a side of steamed rice.

yield:	each serving p	rovides:		
4 servings serving size:	calories total fat	221 6 q	total fiber protein	3 g 23 q
3 oz chicken, 1 C vegetables	saturated fat cholesterol sodium	1 g 51 mg 287 mg	carbohydrates potassium	21 g 460 mg

chicken guesadillas with red and green salsa

this delicious finger food can be served as an appetizer or main-dish meal

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For salsa:	1	Preheat oven broiler on high temperature, with the rack 3 inches from heat source.
4 medium tomatoes, rinsed and diced (about 2 C)		
½ Cred onion, diced1medium Jalapeno chili pepper,	2	For salsa, combine all ingredients and toss well. Chill in refrigerator for at least 15 minutes. (Salsa can be made up to 1 day in advance and refrigerated.)
rinsed and split lengthwise— remove seeds and white membrane, and mince (about 2 Tbsp); for less spice, use a	3	Cut chicken into thin strips, and place them on a baking sheet coated with cooking spray. Broil for 8–10 minutes.
green bell pepper	4	re asserins e are questa anas, prace rear timere timere
 2 Tbsp lime juice (or about 4 limes) 2 Tbsp fresh cilantro, rinsed, dried, and chopped (or substitute 2 tsp dried series des) 		tortillas on the countertop or table. Top each with one-quarter of the sliced cooked chicken, salt, chili sauce, cheese, and pine nuts (optional).
dried coriander) 1 tsp ground cumin	5	
For quesadillas:		each to a baking sheet lined with parchment or wax paper.
12 oz boneless, skinless chicken breast, cut into thin strips	6	Bake quesadillas at 350 °F for 5–10 minutes or until the cheese is melted.
4 (10-inch) whole-wheat tortillas	7	Serve one quesadilla with ½ cup salsa on the side.
¼ tspsalt½ tspchili sauce		
2 oz pepper jack cheese, shredded (about ½ C)		
1 Tbsp pine nuts, toasted (optional)		
Cooking spray	Tip	o: Delicious with a side of fresh grilled corn-on-the-cob.
yield:	eac	ch serving provides:
4 servings		ories 339 total fiber 4 g
serving size:	tota	al fat 11 g protein 26 g
1 quesadilla, ½ C salsa	chol	urated fat 3 g carbohydrates 32 g olesterol 62 mg potassium 454 mg dium 453 mg

30 minutes Prep time: Cook time: 10 minutes

main dishes

poultry



chicken and mushroom fricassee

fat-free sour cream, vegetables, and herbs make this rich and hearty dish guilt free

1 Tbsp	olive oil	1	Preheat
	(10 oz) white button mushrooms, rinsed and quartered	2	Heat oli roasting metal h
1 C	leeks, split into quarters, then sliced into small squares and rinsed well	3	Add mu brown,
1 C	potatoes, peeled and diced		celery, a the veg
1 C	celery, rinsed and diced		minutes
1 C	pearl onions, raw or frozen	4	
3 C	low-sodium chicken broth	4	Add chi Add chi
1 lb	skinless chicken legs or thighs (4 whole legs, split, or 8 thighs)		heated
2 Tbsp	each fresh herbs (such as		a minim
	parsley and chives), rinsed, dried, and minced (or 2 tsp dried)	5	When c pan, ret
1 Tbsp	lemon juice		liquid to
1 Tbsp	cornstarch	6	In a bov
2 Tbsp	fat-free sour cream		and add remove
½ tsp ¼ tsp	salt ground black pepper	7	Season vegetab

Tip: Try serving over pasta with a side of **Baby Spinach With Golden Raisins and Pine Nuts** (on page 107).

yield:	each serving) provides:			
4 servings serving size:	calories total fat	242 9 a	total fiber protein	3 g 20 g	
1 chicken leg, 1 C vegetables and sauce	saturated fat cholesterol sodium	2 g 42 mg 430 mg	carbohydrates potassium	20 g 24 g 807 mg	

nain dishes

poultry

Prep time: 10 minutes Cook time: 30 minutes

t oven to 350 °F.

live oil in a medium-sized heavy-bottom ng or braising pan (a large saute pan with a nandle will work as well).

ushrooms to pan, and cook until golden about 3–5 minutes. Add leeks, potatoes, and pearl onions, and continue to cook until getables become soft, about 3–5 additional S.

nicken broth to the pan, and bring to a boil. nicken legs to the pan, cover, and place in the oven for about 20 minutes or until the n legs are tender when pierced with a fork (to num internal temperature of 165 °F).

chicken legs are tender, remove legs from the eturn the pan to the stovetop, and bring the to a boil. Add herbs and lemon juice.

wl, mix the cornstarch with the sour cream, ld to the pan. Bring back to a boil and then from the heat.

with salt and pepper, and pour 1 cup of bles and sauce over chicken.



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chicken and celery stir-fry

Prep time: 20 minutes

Cook time: 20 minutes

serve on top of steamed brown rice, and you have a quick, easy, and delicious weeknight meal

- peanut oil or vegetable oil 1 Tbsp
- 1 Tbsp ginger, minced
- garlic, minced (about 2–3 cloves) 1 Tbsp
- fresh scallions (green onions), 1 Tbsp rinsed and minced
- 2 C celery, rinsed and sliced
- carrots, rinsed and peeled into 1 C very thin strips
- 1 Tbsp cornstarch
- **1**C low-sodium chicken broth
- 2 Tbsp rice vinegar
- 12 oz boneless, skinless chicken breast, cut into thin strips
- 1 Tbsp lite soy sauce
- ¹/₂ Tbsp sesame oil (optional)
- sesame seeds, toasted 1 Tbsp (optional)

- Heat oil in a large wok or sauté pan. Add ginger, 1 garlic, and scallions, and stir fry briefly until cooked, but not brown, about 30 seconds to 1 minute.
- Add celery and carrots, and continue to cook gently 2 until the celery begins to soften.
- In a bowl, mix cornstarch with chicken broth, and 3 add to the pan. Add rice vinegar, and bring to a boil over high heat. Lower temperature to a gentle simmer.
- Add chicken, and stir continually for 5–8 minutes.
- Add soy sauce, sesame oil (optional), and sesame seeds (optional), and mix gently.
- Serve 1 cup chicken stir-fry.

yield:	each serving p	each serving provides:				
4 servings	calories	188	total fiber	2 g		
serving size: 1 C chicken and vegetables	total fat saturated fat	/g 2q	protein carbohydrates	22 g 8 g		
	cholesterol sodium	51 mg 237 mg	potassium	370 mg		

oven-crusted chicken breast

a healthy way to fry chicken

For chicken:

- boneless, skinless chicken 4 breasts (3 oz each) 1 egg white (or substitute liquid egg white) fat-free evaporated milk **1**C **1 C** breadcrumbs 1⁄4 C rolled oats, crushed; pulse a few times in the food processor or crush between fingers to make smaller pieces **1 C** whole-wheat flour olive oil or vegetable oil 2 Tbsp For salad:
- 2 Tbsp lemon juice olive oil ¹/₂ Tbsp red leaf lettuce. rinsed and **4** C dried 1 C cherry tomatoes, rinsed and halved ¹⁄₄ tsp salt ground black pepper ¹⁄₄ tsp

Tip: Try serving with a side of oven-roasted potatoes.

vield: 4 servings serving size: 3 oz chicken breast, 1 C salad

- 2
- 3
- 6

each serving provides: calories total fat saturated fat cholesterol sodium

20 minutes Prep time: Cook time: 20 minutes

Preheat oven to 350 °F.

Place chicken in a freezer bag with the air squeezed out, and pound each breast down to ¹/₂-inch thickness.

Combine the egg white and evaporated milk in a bowl, and mix well. In a separate bowl, combine the breadcrumbs and crushed oats, and mix well.

Coat the chicken breasts in flour, and shake off the excess. Dip the chicken breasts in the egg and milk mixture, and drain off the excess. Then dip the chicken breasts in the breadcrumb mixture to coat, and shake off the excess. After all chicken breasts have been coated, discard any leftover breading mixture.

Heat oil in a large sauté pan. Stir fry the chicken over medium-high heat on one side until golden brown, about 2–3 minutes. Turn carefully, and pan fry the second side for an additional 2–3 minutes or until golden brown. Remove from the pan, and place on paper towels to soak up excess oil. Place on baking sheet, and finish cooking in a 350 °F oven for about 5–8 minutes (to a minimum internal temperature of 165 °F).

For the salad, combine lemon juice and olive oil, and mix well to make a dressing. Toss the lettuce leaves and cherry tomatoes with the dressing, salt, and pepper.

Serve 1 cup salad with one piece of chicken.

264 11 a 2 q 49 mg 263 ma total fiber protein carbohydrates potassium

3 g 24 q 18 g 553 mg



chicken picadillo

Prep time: 15 minutes Cook time: 25 minutes

Heat olive oil in a large sauté pan over medium heat.

5–10 minutes, until chicken is no longer pink inside.

Add the tomato sauce, chicken broth, lemon juice,

Cover the pan, and reduce the heat. Simmer for

Remove the bay leaves, and garnish with fresh

cilantro, capers, and green olives, and serve.

Add the onion, bell peppers, and garlic, and sauté

until vegetables are soft, about 5 minutes.

cumin, bay leaves, water, and raisins to the

vegetables and chicken.

10 minutes.

Add the chicken, and stir fry for another

this zesty one-pot meal is easy to throw together on a busy weeknight

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olive oil 2 tsp large yellow onion, finely chopped medium green bell pepper, rinsed and finely chopped

- medium red bell pepper, rinsed 1 and finely chopped
- 1¹/₂ Tbsp garlic, mashed (about 3 cloves)
- boneless, skinless chicken 12 oz breast, cut into thin strips
- 1/3 C no-salt-added tomato sauce low-sodium chicken broth ⅓ C
- ⅓ C lemon juice
- ground cumin ¹/₄ tsp
- bay leaves 2
- 1/3 C water
- 1⁄4 C golden seedless raisins

For garnish:

- 1 Tbsp fresh cilantro, rinsed, dried, and chopped (or substitute 1 tsp dried coriander)
- 1 Tbsp capers, drained
- green olives, chopped 2 Tbsp

Tip: Serve with brown rice and black beans.

yield:	each serving p	rovides:		
6 servings	calories	162	total fiber	2 g
serving size:	total fat	5 g	protein	18 g
³ / ₄ C chicken and vegetables	saturated fat	1 g	carbohydrates	13 g
	cholesterol	46 mg	potassium	380 mg
	sodium	133 mg		

chicken ratatouille

it may be hard to say "ratatouille" (pronounced rat-uh-TOO-ee), but this one-dish recipe will show you that it's very easy to eat

1 Tbsp	vegetable oil	1	He
12 oz	boneless, skinless chicken		sau
	breast, cut into thin strips	2	Ad
2	zucchini, about 7 inches long, unpeeled, thinly sliced		mu occ
1	small eggplant, peeled, cut into 1-inch cubes	3	Ad
1	medium onion, thinly sliced		pej 5 n
1	medium green bell pepper, rinsed and cut into 1-inch pieces		
½ lb	fresh mushrooms, rinsed and sliced		
1 can	(14½ oz) whole peeled tomatoes, chopped		
1⁄2 Tbsp	garlic, minced (about 1 clove)		
1½ tsp	dried basil, crushed		
1 Tbsp	fresh parsley, rinsed, dried, and minced		
<mark>% tsp</mark>	ground black pepper		

Tip: Serve with a side of whole-wheat pasta.

yield: 4 servings serving size: 1½ C chicken and vegetables	each serving pro calories total fat saturated fat cholesterol sodium
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Prep time: 15 minutes Cook time: 20 minutes

eat oil in a large nonstick pan. Add chicken, and uté for about 3 minutes or until lightly browned.

dd zucchini, eggplant, onion, green pepper, and ushrooms. Cook for about 15 minutes, stirring ccasionally.

dd tomatoes, garlic, basil, parsley, and black epper. Stir and continue to cook for about minutes. Serve warm.



rovides:

266 8 q 2 g 66 mg 253 mg total fiber protein carbohydrates potassium

6 g 30 g 21 g 1,148 mg

asian-style chicken wraps

Prep time: 15 minutes Cook time: 20 minutes

delicious on their own, or try serving with a side of **Sunshine Rice** (on page 126)

For sauce:

- small Jalapeno chili pepper, rinsed and split lengthwise remove seeds and white membrane, and mince (about 1 Tbsp); for less spice, use green bell pepper
- garlic, minced (about 2–3 cloves) 1 Tbsp
- brown sugar or honey 3 Tbsp
- 1⁄2 C water
- fish sauce ¹/₂ Tbsp
- lime juice (or about 4 limes) 2 Tbsp

For chicken:

- peanut oil or vegetable oil 1 Tbsp
- ginger, minced 1 Tbsp
- garlic, minced (about 2–3 cloves) 1 Tbsp
- boneless, skinless chicken breast, 12 oz cut into thin strips
- 1 Tbsp lite soy sauce
- sesame oil (optional) 1 Tbsp
- **1** Tbsp sesame seeds (optional)

For wrap:

- (small) head red leaf lettuce, rinsed, dried, and separated into single leaves large enough to create wrap
- fresh basil leaves, whole, rinsed 8 and dried
- bok choy or Asian cabbage, 2 C rinsed and shredded

- 1 To prepare the sauce, add all ingredients to a saucepan, and bring to a boil over high heat. Remove from heat, and let sit in hot saucepan for 3–5 minutes. Chill in refrigerator for about 15 minutes or until cold.
- Prepare the chicken by heating oil in a large wok or 2 sauté pan. Add ginger and garlic, and stir fry briefly until cooked but not brown, about 30 seconds to 1 minute.

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asian-style chicken wraps (continued)



sauté pan.

3



each serving calories total fat saturated fat cholesterol sodium

Add chicken, and continue to stir frv for 5–8 minutes.

Add soy sauce, sesame oil (optional), and sesame seeds (optional), and return to a boil. Remove from the heat, and cover with lid to hold warm in hot

Assemble each wrap: Place one large red lettuce leaf on a plate, then add 1/2 cup chicken stir-fry, 1 basil leaf, and ¼ cup shredded cabbage and fold together. Serve two wraps with 1/4 cup sauce.

j provides:	
242	total fiber
10 g	protein
2 g	carbohydrates
47 mg	potassium

393 mg

3 g 21 g 17 g 636 ma

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cornbread-crusted turkey

Prep time: 20 minutes

Cook time: 20 minutes

cornbread-crusted turkey (continued)

not just for Thanksgiving—enjoy this hearty turkey dinner any time of year

- low-fat buttermilk **1**C
- 1 Tbsp **Dijon mustard**
- skinless turkey fillets (3 oz each) 4
- 4- by 4-inch square prepared cornbread (about 1 C crumbs) (See Good-for-You Cornbread on page 119)
- egg white (or substitute liquid 1 egg white)
- low-sodium chicken broth **1**C
- cornstarch 1 Tbsp
- frozen baby carrots 1 lb
- fresh sage, rinsed, dried, and 1 Tbsp chopped (or 1 tsp dried)
- 1 Tbsp butter

- Preheat oven to 350 °F.
- Combine buttermilk and Dijon mustard. Mix well. 2
- 3 Add turkey fillets to buttermilk mixture to marinate for 5–10 minutes while preparing cornbread.
- Grind cornbread in a food processor, or use your fingers to make coarse crumbs. Place breadcrumbs on a baking sheet, and dry in a 300 °F oven or toaster oven for 4–5 minutes. Do not brown.
- Pour breadcrumbs into a dry, shallow dish. Put egg 5 white in a separate bowl.
- Remove turkey from the buttermilk, and dip each fillet 6 first in the egg white and then in the cornbread crumbs to coat. Be sure to discard leftover buttermilk mixture and cornbread crumbs.
- Place breaded turkey fillets on a baking sheet, and bake for 10–15 minutes (to a minimum internal temperature of 165 °F).
- While the turkey is cooking, combine chicken broth, cornstarch, carrots, sage, and butter in a medium saucepan. Bring to a boil over high heat, stirring occasionally. Lower temperature to a simmer.

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Simmer gently for about 5 minutes, or until the butter is melted, the sauce is thick, and the carrots are warm.

Serve each 3-ounce turkey fillet with 1 cup of carrots and sauce mixture.

Tip: Try serving with a baked or roasted sweet potato.

yield	:	each serving p	rovides:			
	ng size: urkey, 1 C carrots and sauce	calories total fat saturated fat cholesterol sodium	285 6 g 3 g 48 mg 420 mg	total fiber protein carbohydrates potassium	3 g 29 g 29 g 378 mg	

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turkey club burger

lighten up your traditional hamburger with lean ground turkey—less saturated fat, without less flavor

For turk	ey burger:	1	Preheat
12 oz	99 percent fat-free ground turkey		rack 3 ir high hea
½ C	scallions (green onions), rinsed and sliced	2	To prepa pepper,
¼ tsp	ground black pepper		³ ⁄ ₄ -inch t
1	large egg		olive oil.
1 Tbsp		3	Broil or side (to
For spre		4	Combin
2 Tbsp	light mayonnaise		
1 Tbsp	Dijon mustard	5	Assemb arugula,
For top	pings:		(optiona
4 oz	spinach or arugula, rinsed and dried		
4 oz	portabella mushroom, rinsed, grilled or broiled, and sliced (optional)		
4	whole-wheat hamburger buns		

Tip: Try it with a side of Grilled Romaine Lettuce With Caesar Dressing (on page 105). Hint: To grill portabella mushrooms, scrape off the gills from underneath the mushroom caps. Lightly coat with olive oil, and grill or broil for 2–3 minutes on each side or until tender. Slice and set aside until burgers are ready.

2	yield: 4 servings
	serving size: 1 burger with topping

each serving provides:

calories total fat saturated fat cholesterol sodium

Prep time: 20 minutes Cook time: 20 minutes

oven broiler on high temperature (with the inches from heat source) or grill on mediumeat.

pare burgers, combine ground turkey, scallions, and egg, and mix well. Form into $\frac{1}{2}$ - to thick patties, and coat each lightly with

grill burgers for about 7–9 minutes on each a minimum internal temperature of 160 °F).

ne mayonnaise and mustard to make a spread.

ble ³/₄ tablespoon spread, 1 ounce spinach or a, several slices of grilled portabella mushroom nal), and one burger on each bun.

299 11 g 2 g 89 mg 393 mg total fiber protein carbohydrates potassium

5 g 29 g 26 g 424 mg

turkey mole

Prep time: 15 minutes Cook time: 30 minutes

mole is a classic Latin sauce, made with cocoa and spices

For sauce:

- 1 Tbsp chili powder
- ground black pepper 1 tsp
- ¹/₈ tsp around cloves
- ¹/₈ tsp ground allspice
- sesame seeds (reserve 1 tsp for 1 Tbsp garnish) (optional)
- 2 Tbsp canola oil, divided into two 1-Tbsp portions
- ¹/₂ Tbsp garlic, minced (about 1 clove)
- 1/2 C onion, chopped
- canned no-salt-added diced **1**C tomatoes
- fresh oregano, rinsed, dried, 1 tsp and chopped (or ¹/₄ tsp dried)
- cocoa powder 1 Tbsp
- **1**C low-sodium chicken broth

For turkev:

- turkey fillets, boneless and 12 oz skinless (about 4 pieces)
- $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp salt
- ground black pepper $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp

- **1** Preheat grill pan or oven broiler (with the rack 3 inches from heat source) on high temperature.
- To prepare the sauce, add chili powder, pepper, 2 cloves, allspice, and sesame seeds (optional) to a saucepan, and toast on medium heat for 2 minutes.
- Add 1 tablespoon canola oil. Sauté garlic on 3 medium to medium-high heat for 30 seconds to 1 minute.
- Add onion, and sauté until cooked but not brown, 4 about 2–3 minutes.
- Add tomatoes, oregano, cocoa powder, and chicken 5 broth, and bring to a boil over high heat. Simmer for 8–10 minutes.
- Remove from the heat, and let cool to room 6 temperature. Puree the sauce in a blender until smooth. Return sauce to the pan, and reheat slowly (or keep sauce warm on stovetop).
- To prepare the turkey, coat the fillets with 7 1 tablespoon canola oil and season with salt and pepper.

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turkey mole (continued)



- 9 mole sauce.

Tip: Try serving with rice and Baby Spinach With Golden Raisins and Pine Nuts (on page 107).

yield: 4 servings serving size: 1 turkey fillet, ½ C sauce	each serving pro calories total fat saturated fat cholesterol sodium
	4 servings serving size:

Broil turkey in preheated oven or grill for 3–5 minutes on each side or until the turkey is fully cooked (to a minimum internal temperature of 165 °F).

Serve one piece of turkey with $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of the warm



ovides:

217 9 q 1 q 53 mg 421 ma total fiber protein carbohydrates potassium

2 g 24 g 9 g 419 mg

20-minute chicken creole

this guick Southern-style dish contains no added fat and very little added salt in its spicy tomato sauce

high heat.

1 Spray sauté pan with cooking spray. Preheat over

Add tomatoes with juice, chili sauce, green pepper,

pepper, and salt. Bring to a boil over high heat, and

celery, onion, garlic, basil, parsley, crushed red

Cook chicken in hot sauté pan, stirring for

3–5 minutes. Reduce heat.

then reduce heat to simmer.

Simmer, covered, for 10 minutes.

- boneless, skinless chicken 12 oz breast, cut into thin strips
- canned whole peeled 1 C tomatoes, chopped
- **1**C chili sauce (look for lowest sodium version)
- green bell pepper, rinsed and 1½ C chopped
- celery, rinsed and chopped 1½ C
- 1⁄4 C onion, chopped
- garlic, minced (about 2–3 cloves) 1 Tbsp
- fresh basil, rinsed, dried, and 1 Tbsp chopped (or 1 tsp dried)
- 1 Tbsp fresh parsley, rinsed, dried, and chopped (or 1 tsp dried)
- crushed red pepper ¹/₄ tsp
- salt ¹/₄ tsp
- **Cooking spray**

Tip: Delicious served over rice.

yield:	each serving p	orovides:		
4 servings	calories	274	total fiber	4 g
serving size:	total fat	5 g	protein	30 g
1½ C	saturated fat	1 g	carbohydrates	30 g
	cholesterol	73 mg	potassium	944 mg
	sodium	383 mg		

Prep time: 15 minutes Cook time: 20 minutes

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