

One-Pot Chicken & Rice

Ingredients:

- 4-6 bone-in chicken thighs (Drumsticks or boneless thighs or breast are fine also.)
- Chorizo or another type of sausage, sliced optional
- 1-2 Tbsp of olive oil
- Chicken seasoning (feel free to adjust spice to taste)
 - 1 tsp salt
 - \circ $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp pepper
 - 1 tsp garlic powder
 - 1 ¹/₂ tsp paprika
 - \circ $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp cayenne pepper
 - ¹/₄ tsp red pepper flakes
- 1 onion, diced
- 2 cloves of garlic, minced
- 1 jalapeño pepper seeded and diced optional
- 1 red or green pepper, diced *optional*
- 2 celery stalks, diced
- salt and pepper to taste
- 1 cup DRY long-grain white rice, rinsed
- 2¹/₄ cups chicken broth (or vegetable broth)
- Scallions, parsley, cilantro for garnish
- For a Spanish style rice add 1 small can of crushed tomatoes or a cup of tomato sauce and a few threads of saffron. Reduce the broth to 1.5 cups if you do this.
- Vegetarian options
 - Marinated tempeh, or tofu, beyond meat, assorted mushrooms, chickpeas. Use the same seasoning on any of these. You can combine more than one of these options as well.

Instructions:

1. Preheat oven to 350

- 2. Mix chicken seasoning with olive oil and create a paste. Rub paste all over chicken. Set aside. You can do this ahead of time and put it back into the fridge until ready to cook.
- 3. Heat a large dutch oven on high heat. Add olive oil. Once very hot, sear the chicken on each side. For bone-in, about 4-5 minutes per side until skin is nice and brown. For boneless, about 2-3 min per side. Set chicken aside on a separate plate.
- 4. Lower heat to medium and add onion, celery, garlic, jalapeño and pepper, if using. Sauté 5-7 minutes until vegetables are softened
- 5. Add dry rice and stir continuously for 1-2 minutes, until slightly toasted.
- 6. Add broth
- 7. If using, add tomatoes and saffron
- 8. Add chicken back into pot, placing gently on top of mixture
- 9. Cover and place in oven. Cook covered for 30 minutes.
- 10.Remove cover and cook an additional 10-15 minutes or until liquid is absorbed by the rice. (brown rice may take a little longer)
- 11. Garnish with cilantro or parsley or scallions