

# **HELLO** Middle Eastern-Inspired Chicken and Halloumi Dinner

with Chopped Salad and Lentil-Rice Pilaf

Shareables

35 Minutes





2 | 4





Basmati Rice 3/4 cup | 1 ½ cups



Mini Cucumber

2 | 4



**Baby Tomatoes** 



1 2

113 g | 227 g



Parsley 7 g | 14 g



Crispy Shallots 28 g | 56 g



Halloumi Cheese 1 | 2



**Yogurt Sauce** 6 tbsp | 12 tbsp



Chicken Broth Concentrate 2 4



Shawarma Spice 1 tbsp | 2 tbsp

Allergens Hey home cooks! Please refer to the website or app for the as-prepared recipe nutritional information. Ingredients are packaged in a facility that also handles egg, fish, crustacean, shellfish, milk, mustard, peanuts, sesame, soy, sulphites, tree nuts and wheat. Cooking utensils | Baking sheet, large bowl, large non-stick pan, large pot, measuring cups, measuring spoons, medium bowl, paper towels, parchment paper, small bowl, strainer,



### Cook lentil-rice pilaf

- Before starting, preheat the oven to 425°F.
- Wash and dry all produce.
- Strain lentils, reserving canning liquid in a measuring cup. Add enough water so total liquid-water mixture equals 1 1/4 cups  $(2 \frac{1}{2} \text{ cups}).$
- Heat a large pot over medium heat.
- When hot, add 1/2 tbsp (1 tbsp) oil, then rice and half the Shawarma Spice Blend. Cook, stirring often, 1-2 min.
- Add lentils, broth concentrate, liquid-water mixture and 1/8 tsp (1/4 tsp) salt, then bring to a boil over high.
- Once boiling, reduce heat to low. Cover and cook until **rice** is tender and liquid is absorbed, 12-14 min.
- · Remove from heat. Set aside, covered.



# Prep and sear chicken

- Meanwhile, pat chicken dry with paper towels. Combine remaining Shawarma Spice Blend and 1 tbsp (2 tbsp) yogurt sauce in a medium bowl. Add chicken. Season with **salt** and **pepper**, then toss to coat.
- Heat a large non-stick pan over medium heat.
- When hot, add 1/2 tbsp (1 tbsp) oil, then chicken. (NOTE: Cook chicken in 2 batches, if needed.) Cook until golden, 1-3 min per side.
- Remove from heat, then transfer chicken to a parchment-lined baking sheet.



## Roast chicken and prep veggies

- Roast chicken in the middle of the oven until cooked through, 12-14 min.\*\*
- Carefully rinse and wipe the pan clean.
- When done, set aside chicken on a cutting board to rest for 3-5 min.
- Meanwhile, finely chop parsley.
- Cut halve cucumber lengthwise and chop into 1/4-inch half-moons.
- Halve tomatoes.
- Zest, then juice lemon.
- Cut halloumi into ½-inch slices. Using a strainer, rinse **halloumi** in cold water, then pat dry with paper towels.



#### Make salad and sauce

- Add ½ tbsp (1 tbsp) parsley, ¼ tsp (½ tsp) lemon zest, ½ tbsp (1 tbsp) lemon juice, ½ tsp (1 tsp) sugar and 1 tbsp (2 tbsp) oil to a large bowl. Season with salt and pepper, then whisk to combine. (NOTE: This is your salad dressing!)
- Add tomatoes and cucumbers to the bowl with **dressing**. Toss to coat.
- Combine remaining yogurt sauce, 1 tsp (2 tsp) parsley and 1 tsp (2 tsp) water in a small bowl. (NOTE: This is your parsleyyogurt sauce!)

#### Finish and serve

- Stir any chicken juices from the baking sheet into the pilaf. Fluff pilaf with a fork, then stir in ½ tsp (1 tsp) lemon zest and ½ tbsp (1 tbsp) lemon juice. Season with salt and pepper.
- Thinly slice chicken.
- Serve chicken, halloumi and pilaf on large plates.
- Drizzle parsley-yogurt sauce over chicken.
- Sprinkle crispy shallots and remaining parsley over top of pilaf.
- Let people serve themselves, with salad on the side!

Measurements (2 tbsp) oil 1 tbsp within steps 2 person Ingredient



- Sear halloumi
- Meanwhile, heat the same pan over medium.
- When hot, add 1/2 tbsp (1 tbsp) oil, then halloumi. (NOTE: Don't overcrowd the pan. For 4 ppl. cook in batches.) Cook until goldenbrown, 2-3 min per side.
- Remove from heat.

<sup>\*</sup> Vacuum-pack guarantees maximum freshness but can lead to small colour changes and a stronger scent. Both will disappear 3 minutes after opening.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Cook to a minimum internal temperature of 74°C/165°F, as size may vary.