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BLUE MOON BEETS

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INSTRUCTIONS

Preparation:

- Preheat oven to 420F.
- Prep the chicken. Pat dry each chicken breast with a paper towel completely before adding seasoning. This helps create extra crispy skin when searing and roasting.
- Season the chicken. In a small bowl, combine olive oil, paprika, salt and pepper in a small bowl and mix well with a spoon to combine. Generously smear the seasoning mixture over the chicken breasts and let it rest on a clean plate for at least 15 minutes.
- Sear the chicken. Heat an oven-safe or <u>cast-iron skillet</u> on the stove for 5 minutes over medium high heat. Once the skillet is sizzling hot, sear the chicken breasts by placing them skin side down until the skin turns brown, about 4-5 minutes. Transfer the chicken breasts on a plate to rest.
- Prepare apple cider sauce. On the same skillet, turn down the heat to medium and add apple
 cider, butter, mustard, brown sugar, and soy sauce. Stir to combine. Bring the sauce mixture to a
 simmer and stir until it forms a smooth texture. Remove from heat and transfer the chicken
 breasts back to the skillet with the skin side up.
- Prepare butternut squash. In a large <u>mixing bowl</u>, add butternut squash, sliced apples, thyme, and
 remaining tablespoon of olive oil. Toss to combine. If using frozen butternut squash, make sure
 to defrost first and pat dry to remove excess water. Transfer the butternut squash and apple
 mixture to the skillet and spread it around the chicken.
- Bake. Transfer the entire skillet into the preheated oven and bake for 20 minutes until the skin is crispy and golden brown and the internal temperature for the chicken reaches 165F on a <u>meat</u> <u>thermometer</u>.
- Serve. Serve the chicken and butternut squash on a plate and drizzle some apple cider sauce from the skillet on top.

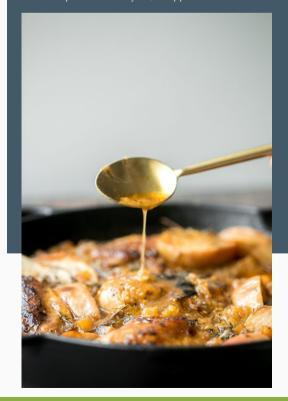
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APPLE CIDER CHICKEN WITH BUTTERNUT SOUASH

NGREDIENTS

- 5 chicken breasts, boneless, skin-on
- 2 tablespoons olive oil, divided
- 2 tablespoons paprika
- 1 tablespoon salt
- ½ tablespoon ground black pepper
- 1 cup apple cider (NOT apple cider vinegar)
- 2 tablespoons butter, softened
- 1 tablespoon mustard
- 1 tablespoon brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon soy sauce
- 2 cups butternut squash, diced into ¼-inch cubes (fresh or thawed from frozen)
- 1 apple, sliced
- 1 tablespoon fresh thyme, chopped



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- 1.To make the crispy quinoa, heat the oil in a pan over high heat, toss the dried and cooled quinoa in the oil, and let it fry for about a minute. It should smell nutty and the grains should feel firm. Transfer to a paper-towel-lined plate and season generously with sea salt while warm.
- 2. Combine the ginger and tamari and set aside.
- 3. Sauté the mushrooms and shallot in the olive oil over medium-high heat for 3 minutes, then add the greens. When the greens are tender, remove from the heat and add the ginger-tamari mixture.
- 4. Place the brown rice in the bottom of your bowl. Top with the cooked mushroom mixture, boiled egg, kimchi, sliced avocado, and watermelon radish. Garnish the bowl with some toasted nori, toasted sesame seeds, and a handful of crispy quinoa.

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FAUX BIBIMBAP WITH CRISP QUINOA

INGREDIENTS

- ¼ cup cooked quinoa, cooled and relatively dry
- high-heat frying oil
- 2 tablespoons tamari
- 1 tablespoon grated ginger
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- ½ cup mushrooms
- 1 shallot, thinly sliced
- 1 bunch kale, torn
- ½ cup cooked brown rice
- 1 egg, medium boiled
- ¼ cup kimchi
- ¼ avocado, thinly sliced
- a few thin slices of watermelon radish
- toasted nori







