

Grilled Cornish Hens with Sun-Dried-Tomato Pesto

READY IN SERVINGS

SERVINGS

4

CALORIES

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681 kcal

LUNCH

MAIN COURSE

MAIN DISH

DINNER

Ingredients

2.5 pounds cornish game hens halved

2 cloves garlic chopped

45 min.

0.3 teaspoon fresh-ground pepper black

1 tablespoon juice of lemon

0.5 cup olive oil

3 tablespoons parmesan cheese grated

0.8 teaspoon salt

	0.7 cup sun-dried tomatoes packed in oil, drained
Equipment	
	food processor
	frying pan
	blender
	grill
Directions	
	Light the grill. In a food processor or blender, mince the tomatoes and garlic with the Parmesan, salt, pepper, and lemon juice. With the machine running, add the oil in a thin stream and continue whirring until the ingredients are well mixed.
	With your fingers, loosen the skin from the breast meat of each hen, leaving the skin around the edge attached. For each half hen, spread 1 tablespoon of pesto under the skin and 1 tablespoon over it. Cook the hens over moderate heat, skin-side down, for 12 minutes. Turn the hens and cook until just done, about 12 minutes longer.
	Menu Suggestions: Creamy polenta topped with a dollop of the extra pesto will be perfect with the hens. Also, since the grill is already hot, you might throw on some vegetables—peppers, zucchini, asparagus.
	Reconstituting Sun-Dried Tomatoes
	In a small pan, bring enough water to a boil to cover the dried tomatoes.
	Add the tomatoes, then remove from the heat and let them steep in the hot water for about 5 minutes.
	Drain.
	Wine Recommendation: For this grilled dish, with its smoke, salt, and acidity (from tomatoes), choose a wine that's simple and refreshing. Among the many options are Italian red wines with good acidity such as Chianti Classico or dolcetto.
Nutrition Facts	
PROTEIN 30.99% FAT 62.19% CARBS 6.82%	

Properties

Flavonoids

Eriodictyol: 0.18mg, Eriodictyol: 0.18mg, Eriodictyol: 0.18mg, Eriodictyol: 0.18mg Hesperetin: 0.54mg, Hesperetin: 0.54mg, Hesperetin: 0.54mg, Hesperetin: 0.54mg, Naringenin: 0.05mg, Naringenin: 0.05mg, Naringenin: 0.05mg, Naringenin: 0.02mg, Apigenin: 0.02mg, Apigenin: 0.02mg, Apigenin: 0.02mg, Apigenin: 0.02mg, Apigenin: 0.02mg, Apigenin: 0.02mg, Myricetin: 0.02mg, Myricetin: 0.02mg, Myricetin: 0.02mg, Myricetin: 0.04mg, Quercetin: 0.04mg, Quercetin: 0.04mg, Quercetin: 0.04mg

Nutrients (% of daily need)

Calories: 681.19kcal (34.06%), Fat: 46.76g (71.94%), Saturated Fat: 12.44g (77.73%), Carbohydrates: 11.53g (3.84%), Net Carbohydrates: 9.2g (3.35%), Sugar: 7.01g (7.78%), Cholesterol: 289.59mg (96.53%), Sodium: 694.63mg (30.2%), Alcohol: Og (100%), Alcohol %: O% (100%), Protein: 52.44g (104.87%), Vitamin B3: 17.77mg (88.83%), Selenium: 36µg (51.42%), Phosphorus: 488.73mg (48.87%), Vitamin B6: 0.92mg (46.05%), Potassium: 1316.46mg (37.61%), Vitamin B2: 0.59mg (34.53%), Zinc: 3.81mg (25.4%), Magnesium: 88.73mg (22.18%), Iron: 3.97mg (22.05%), Manganese: 0.43mg (21.48%), Vitamin B5: 2.14mg (21.37%), Vitamin B1: 0.31mg (20.59%), Copper: 0.41mg (20.39%), Vitamin K: 18.23µg (17.36%), Vitamin B12: 0.99µg (16.44%), Vitamin C: 10.52mg (12.76%), Vitamin E: 1.6mg (10.67%), Vitamin A: 499.89IU (10%), Fiber: 2.33g (9.32%), Calcium: 88.32mg (8.83%), Folate: 22.01µg (5.5%)