

GEORGE CHIALA'S RECIPE OF THE MONTH COLLECTION

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# Grilled Honey Lime Chicken with Braised Artichokes

# **PREPARATION**

### FOR HONEY LIME CHICKEN

- 1 If chicken isn't an even thickness then place it in a large ziploc bag and seal bag. Using the flat side of a meat mallet, pound chicken to an even thickness.
- 2 Place chicken in a dish in a single layer. Next, in a mixing bowl, whisk together remaining ingredients. Reserve 2 tablespoons of the mixture in an airtight container in the refrigerator. Pour remaining mixture over the chicken, cover dish and allow to marinate 8 hours or overnight in the refrigerator.
- 3 Preheat grill to medium high heat. Once preheated, brush grill lightly with olive oil. Place chicken on grill and cook (with lid closed) 5-8 minutes per side until juices run clear. Baste each side of chicken with reserved marinade during the last minute of cooking. For juicier chicken, plate chicken, cover with foil and allow to rest 5 minutes. Serve immediately.

#### FOR BRAISED ARTICHOKES

- 1 Preheat oven to 400 degrees F.
- 2 Fill a medium bowl with water and squeeze the juice of 1 lemon in the bowl, tossing in the lemon halves as well. Rinse each artichoke and trim 1/2-inch off of the stalk. Trim 1-inch off the top of each artichoke. Then cut each artichoke in half, from stalk to tip, and remove the choke with a spoon. Remove the tough outer leaves and trim the outside of the stalk with a paring knife. Add the prepped artichokes to the bowl of lemon water to keep from browning.
- 3 Slice the remaining lemon. In a baking dish large enough to place the artichokes in 1 even layer, place the slices in the dish to form a bed for the artichokes. In the center of each artichoke, add a garlic half and drizzle with half the olive oil. Sprinkle with salt and pepper, then place cut side down on top of the lemon slices. Pour the vegetable broth around the sides, drizzle the remaining olive oil over the tops of the artichokes, sprinkle with salt and pepper, cover, and firmly seal with aluminum foil. Bake in the oven until fork-tender and the leaves peel off easily (about 1 hour).



## **INGREDIENTS**

### FOR HONEY LIME CHICKEN

- 1.5 lbs boneless skinless chicken breast halves or chicken thighs
- 1/4 cup fresh lime juice
- 2 teaspoons lime zest
- 1/4 cup honey
- 2 tablespoons GC Farms' extra virgin olive oil
- 1 tablespoon soy sauce
- 1 tablespoon packed light-brown sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon onion powder
- 1 clove finely minced garlic

## FOR BRAISED ARTICHOKES

- 2 lemons
- 3 artichokes
- 3 cloves garlic, halved lengthwise
- 1/4 cup GC Farms' extra virgin olive oil, divided Salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 1 cup vegetable broth

## COOK'S NOTE:

For mouth watering tender chicken, cook until internal temperature registers at 160 degrees. And, to preserve the juices, be sure not to press down on chicken too often while grilling. For those striking grill marks, brush the grill with olive oil before cooking and once again before flipping.

Bon Apetit!
-George