

Chicken Tagine with Fennel & Prunes

This is a delicious dish with sweetness from the prunes and honey. Using chicken with the bone in adds flavour to the sauce.

2 large or 4 small chicken thighs, skinned

1 bulb fennel

1 medium onion

1 tsp ground cumin

½ tsp ground cinnamon

Juice of 1 orange + a couple of strips of orange peel

1 tbsp honey

6 small prunes

1/4 tsp ground turmeric

1 tbsp oil



- 1. Cut the fennel into 6 pieces lengthwise, keeping the core attached to the layers of the bulb.
- 2. Slice the onion and fry over a medium heat until soft and golden.
- 3. Add the chicken and cook for a few minutes to seal and add colour.
- 4. Add the spices to the pan, stir to coat everything and add the fennel, prunes, orange rind & juice and honey.
- 5. Bring to the boil, reduce the heat to a simmer, cover and cook gently for 30min for chicken off the bone, or 45 min for chicken on the bone.

Hints, Tips and Variations

Wheat, gluten & dairy free

Freezable, reheat in a microwave.

Use a celery heart instead of fennel, try dried apricots instead of prunes.

If using boned chicken thighs, reduce the cooking time to about 20mins & cook the fennel with the onions. Chicken breasts, diced lamb or shoulder pork steaks also work well with this dish.