One Pot Chicken with Rice & Lemon

Ingredients

- 4 bone-in, skin-on chicken thighs (about 1½ pounds), trimmed
- 1 large lemon, sliced into 1/4" slices
- 2 Tbsp extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 cup pitted Castelvetrano or kalamata olives, smashed and roughly chopped
- 1 medium shallot or ½ medium onion, minced
- 6 garlic cloves, minced
- Salt and black pepper
- 2 tsp dried oregano
- Crushed red pepper, to taste
- 2 cups long-grain white rice, rinsed
- 4 cups (32 ounces) chicken broth
- ¼ cup fresh parsley, roughly chopped, for serving



Preparation

- 1. Heat the oven to 400°
- 2. Use paper towels to pat the chicken thighs until dry on all sides
- 3. Season the chicken with 1 teaspoon each salt, pepper and dried oregano and a pinch of crushed red pepper
- 4. Place a large Dutch oven over medium-high heat and add oil
- 5. Heat up the oil for a few minutes and add thighs to the pot, skin side down, and let cook undisturbed until they self-release from the bottom of the pot, about 5-6 minutes
- 6. Remove the chicken thighs from the pot and set aside
- 7. Add the lemon slices to the pot and cook until caramelized and softened, about 2 minutes
- 8. Remove the lemon slices from the pot and set aside
- 9. Add the olives, garlic, shallot, salt, pepper, and dried oregano to the pot
- 10. Cook over medium-low heat, scraping browned bits from the bottom of the pan, until garlic is fragrant, 2-3 minutes
- 11. Turn the heat up to high, add the rice and broth to the pot, stir to combine and cover until it comes to a boil, about 5 minutes
- 12. Remove the pot from heat
- 13. Add the chicken thighs on top of the rice, browned skin side up, then cover chicken thighs with lemon slices
- 14. Cover the pot and place into the oven
- 15. Bake until the rice and chicken are fully cooked, 25-30 minutes
- 16. Serve topped with fresh parsley and a squeeze of lemon juice