SIMPLE ROASTED TURKEY

Basic Lifestyle

INGREDIENTS

- 1 (14- to 16-lb.) fresh or frozen, thawed whole turkey
- 2 TBS kosher salt
- 1 TBS black pepper
- 1 large (12 oz.) yellow onion, quartered
- 3 bay leaves
- 1 head garlic, halved crosswise
- 2 TBS olive oil

INSTRUCTIONS

- —Preheat oven to 450°F with oven rack in lower third of oven. Place a roasting rack in a large roasting pan lined with aluminum foil. Pat turkey dry with paper towels.
- —Season on all sides with salt and pepper; place onion, bay leaves, and garlic in cavity.
- —Tie ends of legs together with kitchen twine; tuck wing tips under. Place on rack in prepared pan, breast side up, and brush with oil.
- —Bake in lower third of preheated oven 45 minutes. Loosely cover turkey with aluminum foil, and reduce oven temperature to 350°F.
- —Continue baking until golden brown and a meat thermometer inserted in thickest portion of thigh registers 165°F, 1 1/2 to 2 hours. Transfer to a cutting board, and rest 30 minutes before carving.

SERVING INFO: (Yields 10 servings): 4 oz. turkey = 1 P

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