

## Chicken and Cauliflower Rice Casserole

Intermediate Lifestyle

## INGREDIENTS

6 bone-in chicken thighs, trimmed and patted dry (about 1.75 pounds) 1-1/2 TSP kosher salt, divided 1 TSP ground black pepper, divided 1/2 TSP paprika 1 TBS canola oil 24 ounces cauliflower rice 1/2 cup whole milk 4 ounces (8 TBS) gruyere cheese, shredded 2 ounces (4 TBS) parmesan cheese, grated 3 TBS chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley, divided 1-1/2 TBS chopped fresh tarragon, divided 1-1/2 TBS chopped fresh thyme, divided

## INSTRUCTIONS

-Preheat oven to 375°

—Sprinkle chicken with  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp salt,  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp pepper and paprika. Heat oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add chicken, skin side down, to pan; cook 5-6 minutes or until skin is very crispy. Turn chicken over and cook 1 minute. Remove from pan.

—Combine cauliflower, remaining 1 tsp salt, remaining ½ tsp pepper, milk, cheeses, 2 tbsp parsley, 1 tbsp tarragon and 1 tbsp thyme in a medium bowl, stirring to combine. Add cauliflower mixture to a 2-quart baking dish. Nestle chicken into cauliflower mixture with skin side up. Bake at 375° for 45-50 minutes or until chicken is done. Sprinkle with remaining 1 tbsp parsley, ½ tbsp tarragon and ½ tbsp thyme.)

## SERVING INFO: (Serves 6)

1 chicken thigh +  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup cauliflower = 1 P, 1 M, 2 V

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