

#### **Chicken Ratatouille**

This is the perfect one-dish dinner when the garden is in full swing. It is a traditional French stew, originating in an area that is present-day Nice. This delicious dish can be served hot or cold.

Makes: 6 servings Prep time: 20 minutes Cook time: 18 minutes

# *the* INGREDIENTS

¼ tablespoon canola oil

**12½ ounces** chicken breast, boneless, skinless, fresh or frozen, raw, ½" diced

1/4 cup zucchini, fresh, unpeeled, 1/2" diced

<sup>2</sup>/3 cup eggplant, fresh, unpeeled, ½" diced

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cup onions, fresh, peeled, <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" diced

¼ cup green peppers, fresh, ¼" diced

3 tablespoons mushrooms, fresh, thinly sliced

1/4 teaspoon salt, table

<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup tomatoes with juice, canned, diced, garlic, oregano, and basil

1 clove garlic, fresh, minced (1 clove is about ½ teaspoon minced)

1/2 tablespoon basil, dried

- 1/8 tablespoon black pepper, ground
- 1/2 teaspoon balsamic vinegar
- 1/2 teaspoon lemon juice, fresh or bottled
- 1/2 teaspoon parsley, fresh, minced

## *\_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_*DIRECTIONS

- 1. Heat oil on medium-high in a medium skillet.
- 2. Add chicken and sauté on each side for about 3 minutes or until lightly browned.
- Add zucchini, eggplant, onion, green pepper, mushrooms, and salt. Cook for an additional 5 minutes until onions are tender. Stir often.
- 4. Add diced canned tomatoes with juice, minced garlic, dried basil, black pepper, and balsamic vinegar. Bring to a boil.
- 5. Reduce heat to medium, and simmer for 10 minutes or until chicken is tender and juices from the tomatoes and vinegar have reduced. Stir frequently. Chicken should reach an internal temperature of 165 °F for at least 15 seconds.
- 6. Remove from heat and stir in lemon juice and parsley.
- 7. Serve 3% cup.

Critical Control Point: Hold at 140 °F or higher.



### *the* NUTRITION INFORMATION

For 3/8 cup of Chicken Ratatouille.

Nutrients Calories	Amount 101
Total Fat	4 g
Saturated Fat	1 g
Cholesterol	38 mg
Sodium	185 mg
Total Carbohydrate	3 g
Dietary Fiber	1 g
Total Sugars	3 g
Added Sugars included	N/A
Protein	13 g
Vitamin D	N/A
Calcium	22 mg
Iron	1 mg
Potassium	N/A

N/A=data not available.

*Source:* Team Nutrition CACFP Multicultural Recipe Project.

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<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub> cup provides 1½ oz equivalent meat and ¼ cup vegetable.

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CHEF TIPS

#### Variation

If chicken is frozen, defrost in the refrigerator for 1 day per 1–5 pounds. Hold raw chicken at 40 °F or lower.

