Recipe Name: Asian Almond Chicken

Recipe Category: Dinner Entrée

Portion Size: 4 oz. (3 oz. chicken plus sauce)

Ingredients: Yields: 50 servings

Ingredients	Notes:
2 tablespoons ground ginger	
1 tablespoon garlic powder	
1 cup canola oil	
12-14 lbs. boneless and skinless chicken, breast or thighs, cut into	
thin strips	
2 lb. onions	Washed, peel and chopped.
3 lbs. fresh mushrooms, sliced	Wash, trim and slice.
4 lbs. green bell peppers	Washed, trim and diced.
3 cups water chestnuts	Drained and rinsed.
1 cup light soy sauce	
1 oz. chicken base	
2 quarts water	
6 oz. cornstarch	
1 teaspoon cayenne pepper	
1 lb. unsalted silvered almonds	
2 cups red bell peppers	Washed, trimmed and diced

## Directions:

Steps:	Directions:	Critical Control Point /
		Quality Assurance
1	Heat oil in a large skillet and cook the chicken until lightly	
	browned on all sides. Drain fat.	
2	Add the onion, pepper, mushrooms, chestnuts, ginger	
	and garlic. Cook until onions are tender.	
3	Combine soy sauce, chicken base, water, cornstarch,	
	and cayenne pepper. Cook sauce until thick and clear in	
	a saucepan.	
4	Pour sauce over chicken. Add mushroom mixture and	Cook until internal temperature reaches 165
	cook for about 40 minutes over low heat until or chicken	degrees F.
	is cooked. Add red bell peppers. Cook 5 minutes longer.	
	Serve over rice and top with almonds.	

**Time Temperature Sensitive food**. Food safety Standards: hold food for service at an internal temperature above 140° F. Do not mix old product with new. Cool leftover product quickly (within 4 hours) to below 41° F. Follow proper cooling procedures. Store leftovers in a tightly sealed, labeled and dated container. Use leftover within 72 hours if stored in refrigerator or 30 days if stored in the freezer. Reheat leftover product quickly (within 2 hours) to 165 degrees F for 15 seconds. Reheat left over product only once; discard if not used. Cold holding at 41°F or colder or using time alone (less than four hours). Always wash hands and wash and sanitize counter tops utensils and containers between steps when working with raw poultry.

## **Texture Modified Diets:**

**Soft & Bite Size:** (aka Bite size) **Food particle size** ½ **inch (~width of standard fork)** Food must be moist. Cut foods with a knife to a ½" particle size prior to mixing. Moisten with broth as needed. Foods that do not process well should be omitted. Omit: almonds and chestnuts

**Chopped: Food particle size** ¼ **inch (~** ½ **width of standard fork)** Food must be moist. Chop foods with a knife to 1/4" particle size prior to mixing. Moisten with broth as needed. Foods that do not process well should be omitted. Omit: almonds and chestnuts.

Minced and Moist: (aka Minced/Mechanical Soft/Ground) Food particle size 1/8-inch (fits through prongs of standard fork) Food must be moist. Use a food processor to grind food particles into 1/8 inch prior to mixing. Moisten with broth as needed. Foods that do not process well should be omitted. Omit: almonds and chestnuts.

**Pureed: Smooth and cohesive.** Use a food processor to puree to a smooth consistency. Foods are processed by grinding and then pureeing them. May add broth or sauce to puree. Do not add to much liquid. Puree should still hold its shape. Must not be firm or sticky. Puree foods while still hot. Appearance should be smooth like pudding. Foods that do not process well should be omitted. Omit: almonds and chestnuts.

<u>Therapeutic Modified Diets:</u> Lowfat: No changes needed.

Diabetic/No added Sugar/No Conc. Sweets/Calorie Controlled: No changes needed. Bland/Anti Reflux: Omit onions, garlic, bell peppers, cayenne pepper, and chestnuts. Liberal House Renal: Omit soy sauce and almonds. Use SF broth.