Chicken Shawarma



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Serves 4 to 6

Prep Time: 25 minutes Cook Time: 10 minutes

Ingredients
For the marinade:4 tbsp of Olive OilJuice of 1 Lemon2 tsp of Cumin Seeds2 tsp of Coriander Seeds1 tsp of Smoked Paprika1 tsp of Ground Cardamom3 Cloves of Garlic, mincedSalt and Pepper to taste2 lb of Boneless Skinless Chicken Thighs
For the Yogurt Sauce:1 cup of Greek Yogurt

2 Cloves of Garlic, finely minced

Zest and Juice of ½ of a lemon

½ tsp of Ground Cumin
1 Tbsp of Olive Oil
Pinch of Salt

For serving:

- __Diced Tomatoes __Diced Cucumbers
- __Red Onion
- Green Leaf Lettuce

- 1) Add the cumin seeds and coriander seeds in a dry skillet and toast over medium heat until they become fragrant, add them to a pestle and mortar and start grinding to pulverize them, then add the paprika and cardamom, mash them along with the garlic cloves, olive oil and salt in the mortar and pestle along with the whole spice.
- 2) Add the spice mixture along with the lemon juice in a large bowl, add the chicken to the marinade and make sure its well coated in the marinade, cover and refrigerate for several hours or overnight
- 3) Grill the chicken on an outdoor grill (or indoor grill pan if its easier) until fully cooked through, about 4 minutes per side, then allow it to rest for a few minutes while you make the sauce.
- 4) In a bowl, mix together all of the ingredients for the yogurt sauce, then serve it with the chicken in warm pita breads with some chopped tomatoes, cucumbers, red onion and some lettuce.