SPANISH · DINNER

Pollo al Ajillo: Spanish Garlic Chicken

35 min · Serves 4 · 342 kcal a serve · Video 7:10 · Spain on a Fork

Dairy-free · Nut-free

Lean chicken breast cooked in a light wine-and-broth sauce: about 35 g of protein per serve, olive oil as the only fat, and only a spoonful of flour to thicken, with no cream or butter.

Diet notes: Low carb (5.3 g net carbs) but not keto: 47% of the energy is from fat, and keto meals get about 60% or more.

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- [ ] ¼ cup extra **virgin olive oil**
- [ ] 4 cloves **garlic**, skin on, each cut with a slit
- [ ] 8 cloves **garlic**, thinly sliced
- [ ] 2 **chicken breasts**, boneless and skinless (about 11 oz each), cut into 1½ inches chunks
- [ ] 1 tbsp (8 g) **all-purpose flour**
- [ ] ½ cup **dry white wine**
- [ ] 1 cup **chicken broth**
- [ ] 2 **bay leaves**
- [ ] **fresh parsley**, chopped, to serve
- [ ] **sea salt**, to season
- [ ] **freshly cracked black pepper**

Amounts in US units, converted from the cook's and rounded — the video has the originals.

Contains: Gluten. Check labels on stock, sauces and spice mixes.

Method TIMES = THE MOMENT IN THE VIDEO

1. Heat the olive oil in a large frying pan over medium heat. Add the 4 skin-on garlic cloves and let them infuse the oil for 5–6 minutes, then lift them out and keep them. 1:08
2. Pat the chicken dry, cut into 1½ inches chunks and season with salt and pepper. Brown in the garlic oil in a single layer for 3–4 minutes per side; it does not need to be cooked through yet. 2:03
3. Add the sliced garlic and stir for about a minute until fragrant but not browned. Stir in the flour and cook 2 minutes. 3:15
4. Pour in the white wine and simmer about 3 minutes until slightly thickened. Add the broth, bay leaves and the reserved garlic cloves and bring to the boil. 3:51
5. Cover, lower the heat and simmer about 10 minutes until the chicken is cooked through, shaking the pan now and then to thicken the sauce. Scatter with parsley. 4:41

> **Tip** Serve as a main with roasted potatoes and a green salad, or as tapas. Skinless chicken thighs also work. Use vegetable broth or water with a squeeze of lemon instead of wine if you prefer.

The method is a summary in our words — the video shows every step.

One serve gives you 1 OF 4 · ESTIMATE

ENERGY	PROTEIN	CARBOHYDRATE	FIBRE	FAT	SODIUM
342 kcal	36 g	5.7 g	0.4 g	18 g	620 mg
1,430 kJ	72% of a day	5.3 g net · 0.4 g sugars	1% of a day	3 g saturated	27% of a day
		2% of a day		23% of a day	

Energy from net carbs 6% · protein 44% · fat 50% — very low carb (under 10% of the energy from carbs)

High in (20%+ of a day) Selenium 60% · Vitamin B6 47% · Vitamin K 22%

Source of (10–19%) Vitamin B12 16% · Vitamin E 15% · Zinc 12% · Magnesium 10% · Omega-3 10%

Recipe and video: Spain on a Fork (@SpainonaFork) on YouTube — youtube.com/watch?v=J5mQOb4gFUo, published 20 May 2026. All credit for the recipe goes to the cook; please watch and support their channel.

By Notbroken: the method summary, the unit conversions, the diet notes and the nutrition estimate — worked out from the ingredient list with USDA FoodData Central values; % of a day compares one serve with the US FDA daily values on food labels (2,000 kcal). Brands, portions and cooking change the real numbers.

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