

## **Slow-Cooker Roasted Chicken**

Prep: 10 minutes | Cook: 4-8 hours | Total: 4-8 hours 10 minutes

Yield: 12 servings | Serving Size: 4 ounces chicken meat (without skin and bones)

## Ingredients

- 1 (5-pound) whole chicken, insides removed and skin pat dry with paper towels
- 2 tablespoons salt-free seasoning blend
- 1½ teaspoons paprika
- 1½ teaspoons garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon ground black pepper

## Directions

- 1. In a small bowl, mix together the seasoning blend, paprika, garlic powder, onion powder, salt, and pepper
- 2. Rub the seasoning mixture over the entire chicken (including the inside).
- 3. Place 4 loosely crumpled up balls of foil in the bottom of the crock of a slow cooker. This will act as a stand to prevent the chicken from overcooking or drying out.
- 4. Place the chicken on top of the balls of foil, without pressing the chicken down on the foil.
- 5. Cover the slow cooker tightly with the lid and cook on High for 4-5 hours or Low for 6-8 hours.
- 6. Carve the chicken and serve warm.

## **Recipe Notes**

- If you use a seasoning blend that contains salt, skip adding the salt in step 1.
- If the lid of your slow cooker does not close tightly, place a sheet of foil over the mouth of the slow cooker, then place the lid on top of that.
- Instead of the balls of foil, you can use large (2-inch) chunks of root vegetables (e.g. potatoes, carrots, onions, turnips) for your chicken stand or if your crock-pot comes with a wire rack you could use that as well.



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