Easy Chicken Gyros

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Servings: 6

Ingredients

Chicken Marinade:

- o 2 pounds boneless skinless chicken breasts *
- o 2 Tablespoons olive oil
- o 2 Tablespoons lemon juice
- o 2 teaspoons smoked paprika (or regular)
- o 2 teaspoons cumin
- o 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 teaspoon ground tumeric
- o 1 teaspoon ground coriander
- o 1 teaspoon Kosher salt
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- o 1/4 teaspoon onion powder
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- \circ 1/8 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes, or more, to taste

Tzatziki Sauce:

- o 1 cup plain Greek yogurt
- o 2 cloves garlic, minced
- o 1/2 teaspoon dried dill
- o 2 teaspoon lemon juice
- $\circ~$ salt and freshly ground black pepper , to taste
- 1 small piece of english cucumber, peeled and finely diced

For serving:

- 6 pita or flatbreads
- \circ 1 romaine or Iceberg lettuce, chopped
- o 1 cup cherry tomatoes, halved
- \circ 1/2 of a red onion , thinly sliced
- $\circ~~1/2$ of an English cucumber , thinly sliced

Steps

- 1. Add chicken to a large bowl or ziplock bag. Combine marinade ingredients and pour over chicken. Stir well to coat and marinate for 1-4 hours.
- 2. Meanwhile, make the tzatziki sauce by combining all ingredients. Taste it and add more seasoning (lemon juice, garlic, salt, pepper or cumin)if needed. Refrigerate.
- 3. Heat grill to medium and oil the grates (or if cooking on the stove, add a little oil). Remove chicken from marinade, letting any excess sauce drip off.
- 4. Grill chicken for a few minutes on each side, flipping once, until cooked through. Remove to a plate to rest before chopping into bite-size pieces.
- 5. Toast or warm your pitas. Layer with chicken, lettuce, tomato, red onion, cucumber and sauce. Enjoy!

Notes

- I like to use chicken breast filets, or if you're chicken breasts are really thick you can slice the breast in half, lengthwise (called "butterfly") to make two thinner pieces.
- Make ahead instructions: The marinade for the chicken and tzatziki sauce can be made 2-3 days in advance.
- Freezing Instructions: The raw chicken can be frozen in the marinade for up to 3 months (preferred method). Thaw overnight in the fridge, then cook chicken according to instructions. The cooked chicken can also be frozen for up to 3 months. Thaw overnight in the fridge, then rewarm.

