

Karaage

Chicken Karaage is a classic Japanese fried chicken dish marinated in a mix of soy sauce, sake, sugar, garlic and ginger, lightly coated with potato starch

Recipes

- 700 gms $1\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. chicken thigh fillets
- 1½ tbsp fresh ginger grated
- 1½ tbsp garlic pressed
- 3 tbsp soy sauce
- 1½ tbsp sake
- 3 tsp sugar
- ½ cup potato starch

Steps:

- 1. Cut the chicken thigh fillets into 5 cm 2 inch pieces and keep aside.
- 2. In a bowl, mix together the ginger, garlic, soy sauce, sake and sugar.
- 3. Add the chicken pieces to the marinade. Mix well and refrigerate for about 4 hours.
- 4. Right before the oil is ready, add the potato starch to the chicken. You do not need to mix it evenly. The uneven coating gives each piece its unique texture.
- 5. Heat the oil in a large saucepan to 190°C 375°F and add the chicken to the oil, in batches. Deep fry for 1 minute. Transfer the chicken to a rack and let it rest for 30 seconds.
- 6. Return the chicken to the oil and fry for 30 seconds, and then rest on a rack for another 30 seconds.
- 7. Return the chicken to the oil and fry for 30 seconds, and then rest for 1-2 minutes in a warm place.
- 8. Serve the chicken karaage with a sprinkle of salt, lemon wedges and some Japanese mayo on the side.