

## Make-Ahead Chicken and Dumplings







## Ingredients

- 1/4 cup butter
  - 1 medium onion, chopped (1 cup)
  - 2 medium carrots, chopped(1 cup)
  - 2 medium stalks celery, chopped (1 cup)
- 1/4 cup Gold Medal™ allpurpose flour
- 1 1/2 teaspoons finely chopped fresh thyme leaves
  - 1/2 teaspoon salt
  - 1/2 teaspoon pepper
    - 1 carton (32 oz) Progresso™ chicken broth
- 1 1/4 lb boneless skinless chicken thighs (5 to 6)
- 1 1/2 cups Bisquick™ OriginalPancake & Baking Mix
  - 1/2 cup milk

## Steps

- 1 In 4-quart Dutch oven, heat butter over medium heat. Add onion, carrots and celery; cook 5 to 7 minutes, stirring occasionally, until vegetables are crisp-tender. Add flour, thyme, salt and pepper; cook 1 minute, stirring occasionally. Gradually stir in broth. Heat to boiling, stirring frequently. Boil and stir 1 minute.
- 2 Add chicken; reduce heat to medium-low. Simmer uncovered 13 to 18 minutes, stirring occasionally, until juice of chicken is clear when center of thickest part is cut (at least 165°F). Transfer chicken to cutting board. Using two forks, shred into large bite-size pieces, and return to Dutch oven; heat to simmering.
- 3 In medium bowl, stir Bisquick™ mix and milk together until soft dough forms. Drop by tablespoonfuls onto simmering stew. Cover and cook over medium-low heat 9 to 11 minutes or until dumplings are completely cooked in center.
- 4 To freeze: Cook chicken stew as directed in recipe in steps 1 and 2. Cover and refrigerate chicken stew 30 to 40 minutes. Divide stew between two 1-quart freezer containers; cover and freeze up to 2 months. To finish chicken and dumplings: Place frozen chicken stew containers in large bowl filled with hot water about 5 minutes or until stew can be slid out of containers into 4-quart Dutch oven. Cover and cook over low heat, stirring occasionally, until stew is heated to boiling. Make and cook dumplings as directed in step 3.

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