

Chicken and Sausage Gumbo

Servings: 6-8

Prep time: 20 mins

Total time: 4 hours

*Requires a 6-quart dutch oven

Ingredients

- 1.5 lbs chicken thighs
- 1.5 lbs andouille sausage, coined
- 3/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 3/4 cup + 1.5 Tbsp canola oil
- 3 ribs celery, diced
- 2 jalapeños, seeded and minced (slice outside seam-to-seam)
- 1 large green bell pepper, diced (slice outside seam-to-seam)
- 1 large yellow onion, diced (radial chop)
- 8 garlic cloves, minced (2 1/4 Tbsp)
- 12 oz amber beer
- 6 cups chicken stock
- 1.5 tsp fresh thyme
- 6 bay leaves
- 3/4 Tbsp kosher salt & to taste
- cayenne pepper, to taste
- 23 cracks freshly ground black pepper & to taste
- cooked white rice, for serving

Instructions

1. Cut up the vegetables and sausage.
2. Season the chicken with salt, (a lot of) black pepper, and two tablespoons of canola oil. Broil until slightly charred and golden, about 10 minutes, and set aside.
3. Heat a thick-bottomed 6-quart Dutch oven over medium. Add the remaining oil and flour and, using a whisk, stir *constantly*, until the roux has turned chocolate brown, about 25 minutes (shorter or longer depending on how hot you're cooking).
4. Add the vegetables (but not the garlic) along with a pinch of salt, and cook until onions start to get translucent. Add the garlic and cook until onions are translucent. Add the beer and stir vigorously for a couple minutes to form the gravy. **Slowly** stir in the stock. Add thyme, bay leaves, ~3/4 Tbsp salt, and ~23 cracks of black pepper. Add chicken thighs and sausage and simmer for 3 hours, stirring occasionally. Season to taste with salt, black pepper, and cayenne pepper, and serve with cooked rice.

Notes

If you are not careful while adding the stock, you will break your beautiful roux. I've found that if you start real slow and keep things real hot, you're less likely to break the roux.

Links:

1. [Online recipe](#) (The dumbasses at Vice engaged in their characteristic move of being objectively wrong. My recipe is a corrected version of theirs that actually stays true to the instructions and proportions in the video, which is the original recipe.)
2. [Recipe video](#)