# Malay Ayam Masak Merah (Red Cooked Chicken)



## **Directions:**

- 1. First, marinate (A) together. This doesn't have to be long or be kept in the fridge.
- 2. Next, in a medium sized pan, fry the chicken until the skin is lightly crispy, and set aside.
- 3. In a different wok, stir fry the dry spices (B) until fragrant.
- Add fresh spices (C), continue to stir fry until fragrant. Make sure the heat is quite low, so as not to burn your garlic - it'll taste horrible burnt!

### **Ingredients:**

Marinate : (A) 6 Chicken Pieces 1 tsp Turmeric Powder 1 tsp Salt (Or To Taste) Dry Spices : (B) 2 Whole Cardamom Pods 2 Cloves 1 Star Anise 1 Cinnamon Bark, medium length Fresh Spices: (C) 1/2 tsp Ginger, minced 1/2 tsp Garlic, minced ½ tsp Shallots, minced (you can also use the ground powder version of garlic & ginger) Sauce : (D) 8 Tbsp Tomato Paste 1 x 400 g Can Chopped Tomatoes Honey To Taste 2 Tbsp Ground Chilli Paste\* 1 Yellow Onion. sliced into rings A Can Of Peas - Optional

- 5. Then, add the sauce ingredients (D), and simmer until thickened and boiling (put the heat up a bit to medium), then toss in the fried chicken, the sliced onion rings, and give it a quick stir until all the sauce thickens & the chicken is done.
- 6. The colour should be red, and the sauce thick & sticky.
- 7. You can add the peas after you've taken the pan/wok off the heat.
- 8. Serve with white rice, basmati rice, or some Indian bread.

#### Serves 3

\*Chilli paste - Either boil some dried whole red chillies & blitz them to get the paste, or blitz fresh red chillies - remove the seeds if you want them to be less spicy.



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