

Italian Chicken Salad & Bacon Croutons with Creamy Pesto Dressing



Cherry/Snacking

Tomatoes

Italian Herbs



Leaves

Chicken Breast





Creamy Pesto Dressing

Diced Bacon



Grated Parmesan Cheese

Pantry items Olive Oil

Ready in: 30-40 mins Carb Smart

Prep in: 20-30 mins 1

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How to improve golden, fragrant croutons? Just add bacon, of course! Sprinkle them over a hearty salad of succulent chicken, crisp greens and a creamy pesto dressing to make a fresh-tasting feast that'll be loved by all.

Before you start

Remember to wash your hands for 20 seconds before you get cooking.

You'll also need to give your fruit and veggies a wash.

You will need

Large frying pan

Ingredients

	2 People	4 People
olive oil*	refer to method	refer to method
garlic	1 clove	2 cloves
cherry/snacking tomatoes	1 punnet	2 punnets
bake-at-home ciabatta	1/2	1
chicken breast	1 small packet	1 large packet
Italian herbs	1/2 medium sachet	1 medium sachet
creamy pesto dressing	1 packet (50g)	1 packet (100g)
diced bacon	1⁄2 packet (45g)	1 packet (90g)
mixed salad leaves	1 medium bag	1 large bag
grated Parmesan cheese	1 packet (30g)	2 packets (60g)

*Pantry Items

Nutrition

Avg Qty	Per Serving	Per 100g
Energy (kJ)	2329kJ (557Cal)	609kJ (146Cal)
Protein (g)	46.5g	12.2g
Fat, total (g)	33.2g	8.7g
- saturated (g)	7.6g	2g
${\sf Carbohydrate}(g)$	17.1g	4.5g
- sugars (g)	1.3g	0.3g
Sodium (mg)	761mg	199mg
Dietary Fibre (g)	3.7g	1g

The quantities provided above are averages only.

Allergens

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Get prepped

- Finely chop garlic. Halve cherry tomatoes.
- Tear **bake-at-home ciabatta** (see ingredients) into bite-sized chunks.
- Cut chicken breast into 2cm chunks.
- In a large bowl, combine **garlic**, **Italian herbs** (see ingredients) and a drizzle of **olive oil**. Add **chicken**. Season with **salt** and **pepper**, then toss to coat.



Make the pesto dressing

- In a small bowl, combine creamy pesto dressing, a splash of water and a drizzle of olive oil.
- Season to taste. Set aside.



Make the bacon croutons

- In a large frying pan, heat a drizzle of **olive oil** over medium-high heat.
- Cook diced bacon (see ingredients), breaking up with a spoon, until starting to turn golden,
 2-3 minutes.
- Add **ciabatta** and cook, stirring occasionally, until golden and crisp, **4-5 minutes**.
- Season, then transfer to a bowl.



Cook the chicken

- Return frying pan to medium-high heat with a drizzle of **olive oil**.
- Cook chicken, tossing occasionally, until browned and cooked through, 5-6 minutes.
- Remove from heat.

TIP: Chicken is cooked through when it's no longer pink inside.



Bring it all together

- In a second large bowl, combine **mixed salad** leaves, cherry tomatoes, grated Parmesan cheese, bacon croutons and chicken.
- Drizzle with **pesto dressing**.



Serve up

- Toss the Italian chicken salad.
- Divide between bowls to serve. Enjoy!



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