Rojo Chicken Enchiladas

Ingredients:

For the Enchilada Sauce:

2 tablespoons olive oil
2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
1 tablespoon chili powder
2 cups low-sodium chicken stock
1 ½ cups "mother sauce" (see recipe below)
½ teaspoon cumin
1 teaspoon garlic powder
½ teaspoon onion salt
½ teaspoon chipotle powder
¼ teaspoon Kosher salt

For the Filling:

2 large chicken breasts, bone-in, skin on Seasoned with Kosher salt and pepper Olive oil
½ cup enchilada sauce
½ cup sour cream
2 cups shredded cheese (Mexican blend, mozzarella, cheddar, pepper jack, queso fresco- you choose) divided
½ teaspoon Kosher salt
½ cup scallions, finely chopped
½ cup cilantro, finely chopped
1 teaspoon cumin
¼ teaspoon chipotle powder or paste

10-12 flour tortillas (depends on how full you want them and/or how large the chicken breasts are you are using 2 tablespoons olive oil

"Mother Sauce" Ingredients

3 pounds Roma or hothouse tomatoes, quartered ½ large red or brown onion, cut into chunks 5 cloves of garlic ¼ cup olive oil 1 ½ teaspoons Kosher salt A couple pinches of red pepper flakes ½ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper **Steps:**

1. Preheat the oven to 400° F.

2. Combine all ingredients in a large roasting pan. Roast for 35-45 minutes or until the veggies are charred at the tops and lots of juice has been released.

3. Allow mixture to cool before blending. The sauce keeps for 1 week in the fridge or 3 months in the freezer.



Steps:

1. Make the mother sauce first then the enchilada sauces (see left).

2. Preheat oven to 350°F. Spray or brush the chicken breasts with olive oil and season with salt and pepper. Bake chicken for 35-45 or until the thermometer reads 165°F when inserted in the thickest part of the breast. Allow chicken to cool before shredding or chopping.

2. Combine shredded/chopped chicken, ½ cup of the enchilada sauce, sour cream, 1 cup of shredded cheese, Kosher salt, scallions, cilantro, cumin and chipotle powder.

3. Brush the inside of a baking dish with olive oil. Take one-tenth of the chicken filling and place it in the center of a tortilla. Spread it out evenly. Roll the tortilla up and place the stuffed tortilla seam-side down in the pan. Repeat with the remaining tortillas. Top the rolled tortillas with remaining enchilada sauce and remaining cheese.

4. Bake enchiladas for 15 - 20 minutes or until the cheese browns. Garnish with scallions and cilantro, if desired. Serve hot.