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Membership in the Springbank Community Association is a \$5 yearly fee for individuals or \$10 for households – included in membership is such benefits as a vote at the Annual General Meeting, details will be sent out and communicated to members. The SCA is also working hard to develop more programs, events, and activities within the Springbank Community and look forward to partnering with you to do that.

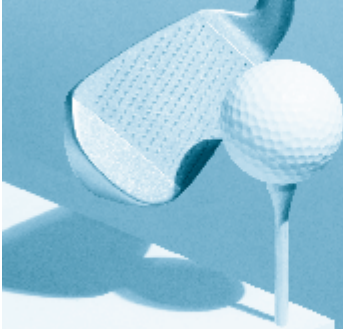
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One Pan Chicken Fajitas

by Jennifer Puri

Originating in South and Central America, bell peppers have been cultivated for thousands of years. Available in a variety of colours: red, orange, yellow, green, and even purple, they are related to chili peppers, tomatoes, and breadfruit.

All bell peppers start out as green, but their colour and ripeness depend on the amount of time the pepper spends on the plant. Red peppers are riper, and their flavour is typically sweeter, milder, and generally easier for most people to digest. They can be eaten raw, cooked, dried, or powdered.

Bell peppers are an excellent addition to a healthy diet as they are mainly composed of water with smaller amounts of carbohydrates, protein, fiber, and fat. Rich in many vitamins, antioxidants, and carotenoids they are beneficial for eye health and reduced risk of anaemia.

Peppers can be enjoyed as a snack, in a salad, stuffed, grilled, roasted, pickled, raw, or sautéed as shown in the one pan chicken fajitas recipe below.

Prep Time: 15 minutes

Cook Time: 15 minutes

Servings: 4

Ingredients:

- 3 boneless chicken breasts
- 1 medium white onion
- 1 lime
- 3 red and yellow bell peppers
- 5 tbsp. extra virgin olive oil
- ¾ tsp. chili powder
- ½ tsp. paprika
- ½ tsp. garlic powder
- ½ tsp. cumin powder
- ¼ tsp. black pepper
- ¼ tsp. oregano
- Salt to taste

Directions:

- Slice onion and bell peppers (seeds and stems removed) into ¼ inch thick slices.

- In a small mixing bowl, combine 3 tbsp. of olive oil, juice of half a lime, chili and garlic powder, paprika, cumin, black pepper, oregano, and salt to taste. Slice chicken breasts into thin strips and add to the spice mixture.
- Add half the chicken pieces to a large non- stick frying pan or skillet and sauté over medium to high heat until cooked, about four to five minutes. Remove from pan and repeat with remaining chicken.
- Set cooked chicken aside and add 2 tbsp. of olive oil and the sliced onions to the frying pan. Sauté for two minutes then add the sliced peppers and continue sautéing until peppers are cooked and brown at the edges. Add the cooked chicken and combine with the peppers and onion until heated through.
- Serve chicken fajitas over warm tortillas with a squeeze of lime, avocado, sour cream, and pico de gallo.

Bon Appétit!



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GAMES & PUZZLES

Guess That Artist!

1. Born on May 11, 1904, in Spain, this artist is probably best known for their work titled "The Persistence of Memory".
2. This Italian artist is often called the founder of the High Renaissance, and identified as one of the greatest painters of Western art.
3. Born in 1853, this artist famously cut off his left ear.
4. This artist is one of the most famous American visual artists for his pop art pieces.
5. Based in England, this street artist and political activist is well known across North America, with one of their popular artworks titled "Balloon Girl".
6. This Spanish painter and sculptor is best known for his cubism and surrealism.



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Managing Seasonal Allergies

by Alberta Health Services

Allergies occur when your immune system overreacts in response to certain substances, mistaking harmless elements as harmful germs or viruses. Numerous triggers can cause this to happen such as pollens, medicine, food, dust, animal dander, and mould.

If your allergy symptoms occur seasonally, it's likely due to an allergy to specific pollens from trees, grasses, or weeds.

Allergies can range from mild to severe, and some over-the-counter allergy medications may alleviate certain symptoms. Remember to carefully read and follow the instructions on medication labels.

Effectively managing your allergies is key to maintaining good health. Your healthcare provider might recommend tests to pinpoint the exact cause of your allergies. Once you identify your triggers, you can take steps to avoid them, which will help prevent allergy symptoms and potential health complications.

In some cases, immunotherapy could be beneficial. This treatment involves injections or pills containing small amounts of specific allergens. Over time, your body becomes desensitized to these allergens, resulting in reduced or prevented allergic reactions.

Symptoms and Treatment of Seasonal Allergies

Seasonal allergies can happen during any season and are very common. Some symptoms include:

- Itchy, watery eyes
- Sneezing
- Runny, stuffy, or itchy nose
- Temporary loss of smell
- Headache and fatigue
- Dark circles under the eyes ("allergic shiners")
- Drainage from the nose down the back of the throat (post-nasal drip)
- Sore throat, coughing, or snoring

Home treatments are usually all you need to treat seasonal allergies, depending on your symptoms. Medicines you can try for a stuffy nose include steroid nasal sprays, which can also help with red, itchy, watery eyes.

Other treatments include:

- Clean the inside of your nose with salt water to provide relief of a stuffy nose.
- Use a humidifier in the bedroom and take hot showers to help clear a stuffy nose. Follow the directions for cleaning the humidifier.
- If your nose is red and raw from rubbing, put petroleum jelly on the sore area.
- Use over-the-counter allergy medicine to help your symptoms. Use a nasal or oral decongestant (such as Drixoral) to relieve a stuffy nose. For itchy, watery eyes; sneezing; or a runny, itchy nose, try a non-sedating over-the-counter antihistamine, like fexofenadine (such as Allegra) or loratadine (such as Claritin). To help relieve pain, try acetaminophen or ibuprofen.

Preventing Seasonal Allergies

You can reduce your exposure to pollen and other allergens that cause seasonal allergies by:

- Keeping your house and car windows closed.
- Checking the Air Quality Health Index before you go outside.
- Limiting the time you spend outside when pollen counts are high (during midday and afternoon).
- Wearing a pollen mask or dust mask if you need to mow the lawn.
- Limiting your mowing tasks if you can.
- Rinsing your eyes with cool water or saline eyedrops to remove clinging pollen after you come indoors.
- Taking a shower and changing your clothes after you work or play outside.





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Father's Day

Father's Day is a wonderful date to celebrate all father figures and paternal bonds. This celebratory day was proposed by Sonora Smart Dodd in 1909 and takes place on the third Sunday in June every year. How will you celebrate?

Backyard Play Safety

by Alberta Health Services, EMS

Emergency Medical Services (EMS) would like to encourage parents and caregivers to ensure their backyard play areas are made safe for children this summer. Although direct supervision is the best method to reduce the chance of injury, always ensure play equipment in your yard is in good repair and is suited to the age and skill of the children using it. Check the equipment often; replace or repair any worn or broken parts. It's also advised to set up play equipment on top of a nine-inch layer of shock-absorbing material which extends six feet out in all directions from the play area.

Water Hazards

- Drowning contributes to unintentional injury-related death among children ages one to four.
- Children can drown in just a few centimetres of water if it covers their mouth and nose.
- Ensure all backyard swimming pools are fenced. The fence must be at least 1.8 metres high and have a self-latching, self-closing, lockable gate (*Alberta Building Code).

Lawn and Garden Tools

- Keep young children away from outdoor power equipment.
- Serious burns may result from touching hot engine surfaces.
- Ensure that all sharp tools, fuel, chemicals, and other hazardous substances are stored in a secure, locked area. A simple latch may not be sufficient.



Insect Bites and Stings

- Minimize the risk of attracting insects by not wearing strong perfumes or scented lotions.
- Avoid wearing brightly coloured clothing outdoors.
- Consider destroying or relocating hives and nests situated near your home.
- To avoid injury through inadvertently stepping on a stinging insect, always wear footwear outdoors.
- If your child has received an 'EpiPen, Junior' prescription from your physician (for anaphylactic reactions only) ensure they understand when and how to use it.
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