## Roast Chicken With Bacon, Mushroom & Herb Stuffing



A delicious recipe for your Sunday family roast.

## **Ingredients**

1.6-1.8 kg whole chicken

Stuffing

- 2 tbsp butter
- 1 onion, chopped
- 4 bacon slices, chopped
- 1 punnet (200g) mushrooms, roughly chopped
- 1 cup bread crumbs
- 1/2 cup herbs like rosemary, thyme, parsley or sage; roughly chopped
- 1 egg

## Method:

- 1. Preheat the oven to 200°C.
- 2. In a frypan over medium heat, add the butter and bacon. Sauté the bacon until golden then add the onions and mushrooms. Cook for 3-4 minutes until softened.
- 3. Add the breadcrumbs and herbs to the pan. Stir to combine. Take off heat and cool before adding the egg and seasoning with salt and pepper.
- 4. Dry chicken inside and out with a paper towel. Place on a roasting tin and stuff the chicken cavity with the cooled stuffing and tie legs together with twine.
- 5. Season chicken with salt, then drizzle olive oil and rub chicken all over.
- 6. Place in the oven and roast for 50-60 minutes, depending on size of chicken this may vary. Chicken is ready when the internal temperature of the thigh meat reaches 79°C.
- 7. When chicken is cooked, take it out of the oven and let it rest for 10 minutes before carving.