## GRILLED SPATCHCOCK CHICKEN WITH SALSA VERDE

**Servings:** Up to 4

**Cooking Time:** 50 Minutes

## **INGREDIENTS**

- 4-5 pound Farmer Focus Whole Young Chicken
- Olive oil
- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper

## For the Salsa Verde

- 2 cloves garlic, roughly chopped
- 1 small shallot, roughly chopped
- 2 Tbsp. capers, rinsed
- 1-2 white anchovy fillets (optional)
- 1 small jalapeño, seeded and roughly chopped
- 1 lemon, juice and zest
- 1/2 cup finely chopped parsley
- 1/2 cup finely chopped cilantro
- Flakey sea salt, to serve



## **DIRECTIONS**

- **1.** Pat the chicken dry with paper towels and place on a cutting board, breast side down.
- **2.** Using sharp kitchen shearers cut the backbone out and reserve it for stock. Flip the chicken over and forcefully push it down until the chicken lays flat.
- **3.** Season well with salt on both sides then refrigerate, skin side up, uncovered, overnight.
- **4.** The next day, allow the chill to come off of the chicken for at least 30 minutes before cooking it.
- **5.** While that is happening, make the salsa verde.
- **6.** In the bowl of a food processor add the first 5 ingredients with a pinch of salt and pulse until you have a fine paste.
- **7.** Pour into a mixing bowl and fold in the lemon juice and zest and herbs. Add enough olive oil to bind everything and loosen it up, about 1/2 cup.
- **8.** Set aside at room temperature to allow the flavors to meld. Preheat a grill or grill pan to medium-high heat.
- **9.** Drizzle the chicken with olive oil then season with freshly cracked pepper. Place on the grill skin side down.
- 10. Cook without moving until nicely charred and grill-marked then flip over, close the lid and cook to an internal temperature of 165 degrees.
- **11.** Remove from the grill and rest for 5-10 minutes before cutting into pieces. Spoon the salsa verde over the chicken and finish with a sprinkling of flakey sea salt.