Cain's Corner

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chicken piccata

4 boneless skinless chicken thighs 1/2 cup flour 1/2 cup cornstarch salt and pepper, to taste 6 Tbsp olive oil 1 large shallot, thinly sliced 1/2 cup chopped mushrooms

5 Tbsp fresh lemon juice 2 cups white wine

3 Tbsp unsalted butter

4 Tbsp capers

4 servings cooked brown rice

4 Tbsp chopped fresh sage

1) Combine flour, cornstarch, and 2 pinches each of salt and pepper. Dredge chicken in mixture.

2) Heat 4 Tosp oil over medium heat in cast iron skillet. Cook the chicken until browned and the internal temperature reaches 165 degrees F. Set chicken aside.

3) Add the remaining 2 Tbsp olive oil to the skillet and saute the shallot for about a minute. Add the mushrooms and saute another couple of minutes.

4) Deglaze skillet with lemon juice and wine, then cook until reduced by half. Add the capers and butter and stir until thickened.

5) Add chicken back to the skillet and heat until warmed. Serve over brown rice with sage and lemon slices.

Traditionally, Chicken Piccata is known for being a "heavy" dish associated with loads of butter. This recipe adaptation is "lightened up," but you'll never know the difference. I used a little less butter and added mushrooms before serving over fiber-filled brown nice. I recommend chicken thighs here for added flavor!

