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Chicken Adobo Bowls Serves 4 - 6

This is a delicious comfort food recipe - Filipino-style Chicken Adobo. It's an easy recipe -- chicken thighs are transformed after marinating in garlic, vinegar, and soy sauce. After braising the chicken in the marinade, the results are a savory, tender, juicy dish served over rice that will elicit contented sighs!

Ingredients:

3 lbs (about 12) boneless, skinless chicken thighs
4-6 cloves garlic, coarsely chopped
1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons unseasoned rice vinegar
3/4 cup soy sauce
2 teaspoons brown sugar
2 tablespoons vegetable oil
1 onion, sliced
1-1/2 cups water
1 teaspoon black pepper
2 bay leaves
Scallions, sliced for garnish
Steamed rice, for serving

Directions:

(1) Marinate the chicken with the vinegar, soy sauce, sugar, and garlic for 1 to 3 hours covered in the refrigerator.

(2) In a large braising dish or skillet, heat the oil and brown the chicken on both sides over medium-high heat.

(3) Once the meat has browned on both sides, remove from pan and cook the onions until translucent and soft.

(4) Add the chicken back to the pan, as well as the water and the marinade. Add the bay leaves and black pepper. Bring the mixture to a boil, and simmer while uncovered until the chicken is cooked through at 165 degrees F and the sauce has reduced, about 20-25 minutes.

(5) Serve the chicken over rice with a ladle of the sauce and a garnish of scallions.