

Mandarin Salad

1 12	pound cup	Marinated Chicken Breasts , grilled, julienne Salad Lettuce (romaine with mixed greens), torn
1/3	cup	Fresh Pea Pods, blanched, shocked OR Frozen
1	bunch	Green Onions, thinly sliced
1/2	pepper	Red Pepper, julienne
3/4	cup	Water Chestnuts, canned, sliced
1/3	cup	Bacon Pieces
1/2	cup	Mandarin Orange Segments
1	teaspoon	Kosher Salt
1	teaspoon	Black Pepper, freshly ground
1⁄4	cup	Almonds, toasted, sliced
1	pound	Wonton Skins, julienne & fried golden brown
16	fluid ounces	Toasted Sesame Dressing (see separate recipe)

Chicken Marinade:

1/2	cup	Soy Sauce
1⁄4	cup	Orange Juice
4	onion	Green onions, cut in rings
1	clove	Garlic, minced
1	pound	Chicken, breast skinless boneless

Toasted Sesame Dressing:

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2	tablespoons	White vinegar
1	teaspoon	Soy sauce
1/3	cup	Granulated Sugar
1/2	teaspoon	Dry mustard
To Taste		Kosher salt
2	tablespoons	Yellow onion, fine diced
1/2	cup	Olive oil blend
2 1/4	teaspoons	Hulled sesame seeds, toasted

Prepare Chicken: Combine soy sauce, orange juice, half the green onion and garlic in a large plastic food bag. Add chicken, seal and refrigerate at least 30 minutes or overnight. Grill or broil chicken until cooked to 165 degrees. Cut into strips.

Prepare Pea Pods: Use frozen pea pods, thawed OR have a bowl of ice water ready on the side to blanch fresh pea pods. In a pot of boiling salted water, blanch the pea pods until crisp & tender, drain and plunge into the ice water to stop the cooking process. When the peapods have cooled, drain and set aside.



Prepare Dressing: In a blender, combine the vinegar, soy sauce, sugar, dry mustard, salt, and onion. Blend very well until the mixture is smooth with no chunks of onion. With the motor running, add the oil in a slow steady stream and blend until emulsified. Remove from the blender and stir in the sesame seeds. Set aside.

Put it all together: In a large mixing bowl, toss the grilled chicken, lettuce, pea pods, green onions, peppers, water chestnuts, bacon, and oranges. Add salt and pepper and toss. Place on a platter.

Garnish with almonds and wonton skins. Serve with dressing on the side.

Serves 6