

Avgolemono Soup

SERVES 4

Ingredients

4 c chicken broth

5 c water

1 lb skinless chicken thighs

1 sm yellow onion diced

½ leek, thinly sliced

1 c short grain rice (arborio, orzo)

4 sm celery ribs or 3 large, separated

2 lg eggs, beaten

2 1/2 lemons, juiced

1/2 lemon, zested

5 tbsp of Brightland LUCID olive oil (Plus more to drizzle)

2 bay leaves

Salt and pepper to taste

Directions

1. In a large Dutch oven, heat olive oil. Add onion and leek and sauté until fragrant and translucent. Add ½ of the celery and sauté 1-2 more minutes.

2. Add chicken thighs to pot and add broth, water, salt, bay leaves and bring to a boil. Once boiling, lower the heat and simmer for 30 min until the chicken can be easily shredded.

3. Transfer chicken to a cutting board and shred using two forks.

4. Add the chicken back to the broth along with the rice and other half of the celery. Simmer for 15-20 minutes until the rice is completely cooked and very soft.

In a medium bowl whisk the eggs, lemon juice and zest together until very frothy and almost thickened, this will take 2-3 minutes.

6. Next, temper the egg mixture. Very slowly, add a ladle of hot broth into the egg mixture one spoonful at a time, whisking to combine. Continue adding a spoonful of broth at a time until the egg mixture is hot as well, about 1/5 of the soup.

7. Turn the heat of the stove.

8. Slowly pour the egg/broth mixture back into the pot and give it a good mix.

The soup should be nicely thickened.

9. Ladle into a bowl and serve with a drizzle with Brightland LUCID lemon olive oil, crack of freshly ground pepper and plenty of dill fronds. Ahhh, enjoy!