## Chicken Breast Sauté with Prosciutto, Mushrooms and Basil

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A good way to make chicken breast moist and elegant.

6 pieces boned and skinned chicken breast halves, skinless halves

4 Tablespoons unsalted butter

3/4 cup flour

2 cloves garlic, minced

1/2 cup prosciutto, chopped or shredded, or bacon

1 pound mushrooms, sliced

1 cup vermouth

1 cup chicken broth

6 tablespoons fresh basil, sliced

1/2 cup Parmesan cheese, grated

1 cup fresh tomatoes, chopped, optional Serving Ideas: The author suggested serving this with linguine tossed with garlic, olive oil, pine nuts, butter and Parmesan cheese.

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## Servings: 6

Do NOT use a nonstick pan for the browning process as you'll never develop the browned, caramelized flavor that is necessary for this dish.

1. Trim chicken breasts of any noticeable fat, then pound them to an even depth, about 1/2 inch. Don't pound the narrow, thin end. Season well with salt and pepper. Heat a large skillet and add 2 T. butter. Dredge chicken in flour and add to skillet. Cook for about 2 minutes per side to brown lightly, but do not cook through. Transfer chicken to a plate.

2. Add remaining 2 T. butter to the skillet and sauté the prosciutto for a few minutes. Separate the pieces so they don't stick together. Add minced garlic and cook for about 1 minute. Add mushrooms and cook until almost all the liquid evaporates and the mushrooms have begun to brown. Add wine, bring to a boil, scraping up any brown bits from the bottom of the pan. Add chicken broth and bring to a simmer, then add reserved chicken breasts and cook for about 7 minutes, turning them once. Add tomatoes to just heat through. Transfer chicken pieces to serving plates. Stir basil into the sauce and just barely bring to a boil. Spoon sauce on top of chicken. Top with grated Parmesan and serve.

Per Serving (excluding unknown items): 414 Calories; 13g Fat (33.8% calories from fat); 40g Protein; 20g Carbohydrate; 2g Dietary Fiber; 108mg Cholesterol; 856mg Sodium. Exchanges: 1 Grain(Starch); 5 Lean Meat; 1 Vegetable; 1 1/2 Fat.