OLÉ CHICKEN BREASTS

This dish is exceptionally easy to make and worth every second. That said, there is one thing to note: be careful when checking the chicken for doneness. The tomatoes will likely drip into the chicken. If you cut into the chicken or poke it with a fork to test for doneness, be sure it's not the liquid from the tomatoes making the chicken look pink even if it's not.

Serves 2

INGREDIENTS

- 2 (4-ounce) boneless, skinless chicken breasts, trimmed
- 1 teaspoon extra virgin
 olive oil
- Salt-free Southwest or Mexican seasoning, to taste
- Sea salt to taste
- 1/4 cup Hunt's[®] canned, drained, diced fire-roasted tomatoes
- 1/3 cup Lucerne® Reducedfat Sharp Cheddar Cheese
- 8 very thin jalapeño rounds, or more to taste
- 2 tablespoons cilantro leaves, coarsely chopped, or more to taste (optional)



PREPARATION

1. Preheat the oven to 350°F.

2. On a plate or cutting board, rub the oil then seasoning and salt over the chicken breasts to evenly cover them.

3. Place a small ovenproof nonstick skillet over mediumhigh heat. When hot, add the chicken side by side to the pan so it does not touch. Cook the chicken just until it is golden brown on the outsides, 1 to 2 minutes per side.

4. Remove the pan from the heat and top each chicken breast evenly with about 2 tablespoons of the tomatoes, followed by about 1/2 of the cheese, then jalapeños.

5. Transfer the skillet to the oven and bake the chicken until it is no longer pink inside and the cheese is melted, 5 to 9 minutes. Top them evenly with the cilantro, if desired.

6. Serve immediately.

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