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Pearl's Best Ever Salmon (S)

(P-I) eat this salmon at least three times a week and I never tire of it. I taught my daughter Autumn how to make this recipe, she took a real shine to it and makes it frequently for herself now. She was the one who invented the snipped salmon version, which takes very little cooking time... just 10-12 minutes! She is very much a purist like her Aunty Serene, so she only uses Sockeye salmon, which she thaws from frozen. Sockeye is drier than Atlantic salmon, so she adds about 1 tsp. of coconut oil to her baking pan for her snipped version - feel free to do that for added succulence, whether using Sockeye or Atlantic.)

Single Serving

INGREDIENTS:

- 4 6 ounces fresh or thawed from frozen salmon filet, left whole or snipped into small pieces with scissors
- dark chili powder (to taste)
- TH Mineral Salt (to taste)
- <u>TH Nutritional Yeast</u> (to taste)
- dried rosemary (optional; for sprinkling)

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Preheat oven to 415 degrees.
- 2. Generously spray a small baking dish with coconut or olive oil cooking spray.
- 3. Generously season one side of the salmon with the seasonings, place that side down in the pan (if using skin-on salmon, this would be the skin side) then season the top side.
- 4. Cover the pan with a lid and bake for 10 12 minutes for snipped pieces or 17 20 minutes for whole filet.



Stove Top Option:

An alternative to baking this salmon is to use the stovetop.

- 1. Place a small or medium-sized, healthy-style fry pan on medium/high heat. Add 1 tsp coconut oil or butter. Once the butter or oil is hot and ready, place the seasoned side of the fish down (the skin side if using skin-on salmon).
- 2. Season the top side while the bottom side is cooking. After 2-3 minutes, use a spatula to lift the salmon from the pan. Add another ½ tsp butter or oil to the pan, then flip the salmon over into the fresh oil.
- 3. Cook for another 1-2 minutes, then turn the heat to low/medium, place the lid on the pan, and cook until the salmon is done to your liking... best if it's just done on the inside but not overcooked.

Protein Nerd Notes:

The 4-6 ounces of salmon or chicken fully provide your Protein Nerd Level 3 requirements, although feel free to pair it with *Side Protein & Fiber Chocolate Milk* to fill up further.