Her Majesty's Coronation Chicken

Serves: 4-6

Ingredients:

1 Tbsp. vegetable oil

1 small onion, peeled and finely chopped

1 Tbsp. mild curry paste (such as Patak's)

1 Tsp. tomato puree

1 Tbsp. red wine

¹/₂ cup chicken stock

1 bay leaf

Sea salt and black pepper

1 Tsp. sugar

Juice of 1/2 a lemon

2 cups mayonnaise

4 Tbsp. apricot jam

1 lb. cooked chicken, diced

2 Tbsp. toasted flaked almonds

- 1. In a frying pan, heat the oil to hot, not burning. Add the onion and cook on a low heat for 3- 4 minutes. Stir in curry paste and cook for a further 2 minutes. Stir in the tomato paste.
- 2. Remove from the heat and stir in the red wine, chicken stock and bay leaf. Season with salt and black pepper return to the heat and bring to a fast boil.
- Stir in the sugar followed by the lemon juice and simmer on a gentle boil for 5 - 10 minutes. Strain the sauce through a sieve into a bowl and leave to cool.
 *For a faster cooling, place the bowl into a larger bowl filled with Ice and water and stir frequently.
- 4. Slowly add the curry sauce mixture to the mayonnaise, and stir in the apricot jam. Place the cooked chicken into a large bowl, pour over enough sauce to coat the chicken. Any remaining sauce can be frozen for future use.
- 5. Serve the Coronation Chicken with a rice salad, or as a filling for a baked potato, in sandwiches or stuffed into pita bread.