Southern Fried Chicken

Ingredients:

1 chicken cut into pieces (or whatever parts you wish to use)

2 cups all-purpose flour (or enough to coat all the chicken)

Salt and black pepper to taste

Directions:

Soak chicken in salted water (about 2 tablespoons) overnight or at least an hour or two. Drain and rinse.

Place flour and seasonings in a plastic bag.

Shake 2 or 3 pieces (depending on size-do not crowd) in the bag.

When well coated, place in the refrigerator until ready to fry.

If necessary coat again before frying.

In a chicken fryer or deep skillet heat enough vegetable oil to come about half way up the chicken or to cover (about 375 degrees-oil should be hot, but not smoking).

Add chicken, but do not crowd.

When chicken begins to fry lower heat to medium.

Fry until golden and crisp.

Depending on size of chicken parts this will take from 10-20 minutes.

Serve with cream gravy, mashed potatoes or rice, English peas or green beans, corn sticks, rolls or biscuits, slaw or salad of choice (such as tomatoes, cucumbers and onions in a vinegar and oil based dressing), and easy peach cobbler.