



Lemon Caper Glazed Salmon Fillet

The First Bite

I remember my first taste of this salmon. The crispy capers popped in my mouth. The lemon made everything taste bright and fresh. **Ever wondered how four ingredients make such magic?** It was love at first bite for me. That meal felt both fancy and simple.

My Kitchen Mishap

My first try did not go perfectly. I forgot to blot the capers dry. They sputtered and popped like tiny fireworks in the pan. A little oil landed on my favorite apron. **It taught me that good food does not need to be perfect.** The meal was still a huge hit with my family.

Why It Works

Two things make this dish special. The crispy capers add a salty, crunchy punch. The lemon juice cuts through the rich salmon perfectly. It is a perfect balance of flavors and textures. **Which flavor combo surprises you most, the lemon or the capers?** Share your thoughts below.

A Little History

This dish finds its roots in Mediterranean cooking. Capers grow wild on bushes near the sea. People there have used them for centuries. Lemon and fish are a classic pair everywhere. ***Did you know capers are actually pickled flower buds?*** This recipe brings a taste of the coast to your table. What is your favorite weeknight seafood dish? Tell me in the comments.



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Ingredients:

Ingredient	Amount	Notes
Salmon fillet	8 ounce	
Fresh lemon juice	2 tablespoons	
Maldon sea salt & freshly ground pepper	To taste	
Brined capers	1/4 cup	Drained and rinsed
Cooking spray	As needed	

My Simple Salmon Supper

Step 1 Heat your oven to 350°F. Grab a baking dish. Give it a quick spray. This stops the fish from sticking.

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Step 2 Place your salmon in the dish. Pour fresh lemon juice all over it. Season it well with salt and pepper.

Step 3 Bake the fish for about 15 minutes. Check if it flakes easily with a fork. (A hard-learned tip: blot your capers dry. This makes them super crispy, not soggy!).

Step 4 While that cooks, heat a small pan. Add your dried capers. Cook them until they get brown and crispy.

Step 5 Take the salmon out of the oven. Pile those crispy capers on top. You are ready for a fantastic meal.

What is the secret to getting capers crispy? Share below!

Cook Time: 15 mins

Total Time: 20 mins

Yield: 2 servings

Category: Dinner, Seafood

Make It Your Own

This recipe is a perfect starting point. You can easily change it to suit your taste. Try one of these fun spins tonight.

Herb Lover's Twist: Add a tablespoon of fresh dill before baking.

Spicy Kick: Sprinkle the salmon with red pepper flakes.

Garlic Goodness: Saute a minced garlic clove with the capers.

Which creative spin would you try first? Tell me in the comments!

Serving It Up Right

This salmon deserves great company. I love it with simple buttered noodles or roasted asparagus. A quick arugula salad also works well. For drinks, try a crisp glass of sauvignon blanc. A chilled glass of sparkling lemon water is great too. Both cut through the rich fish.

Which would you choose tonight, the wine or the sparkle?

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Storing Your Leftover Salmon

Let the salmon cool completely. Store it in the fridge for up to two days. I use a glass container with a lid. You can freeze it for one month. Wrap it tightly in foil first. Thaw it in the fridge overnight.

Reheat it gently in a warm oven. This keeps it from drying out. Why does this matter? Proper storage keeps your meal tasty and safe. My grandson always asks for seconds!

This recipe is easy to double. Make extra for a quick lunch tomorrow. What is your favorite way to use leftover salmon?

Fixing Common Salmon Problems

Is your salmon sticking to the pan? Make sure you use enough cooking spray. A good non-stick dish helps too. Is the fish too dry? You probably cooked it a bit long. Check it a few minutes early next time.

Are the capers not getting crispy? You must drain and blot them well. Wet capers will just steam in the pan. This step is key for that crunchy texture. It makes the whole dish pop with flavor.

Your Salmon Questions Answered

Q: Is this recipe gluten-free? A: Yes, all the ingredients are naturally gluten-free. Always check your specific brands to be safe.

Q: Can I make this ahead of time? A: You can prep the capers ahead. Keep them crispy in a sealed container.

Q: What can I use instead of capers? A: Chopped green olives work well. They give a similar salty, briny flavor.

Q: Can I use bottled lemon juice? A: Fresh is best for bright flavor. But bottled juice will work in a pinch.

See also [Cowboy Tater Tot Hotdish Recipe](#)

Q: How do I serve four people? A: Simply use four salmon fillets. Double the lemon juice and capers. Have you tried this for a family dinner?

Share Your Masterpiece

I hope you love this simple, zesty dish. It always feels like a special treat. Cooking should be fun and stress-free. I would love to see your creation. **Tag Savory Discovery on Pinterest with your photos!**

Happy cooking! —Elowen Thorn.

You need to try this!



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Cooking Method:[Baking](#)

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Difficulty: **Beginner**

Prep time: **5 minutes**



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Cook time: **15 minutes**

Rest time:



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Total time: **20 minutes**

Servings: **2 servings**



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Calories: **kcal**

Best Season: Summer

Description

With only FOUR simple ingredients, this Crispy Caper Lemon Salmon is

an easy weeknight dinner that is loaded with flavor!

Ingredients

- 8 ounce salmon fillet
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- Maldon sea salt & freshly ground pepper
- 1/4 cup brined capers (drained and rinsed)
- Cooking Spray

Instructions

1. Preheat the oven to 350°F. Coat a 9×13 baking dish with cooking spray.
2. Place the 8 ounce salmon fillet in the baking dish and cover with the 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice and season with Maldon sea salt & freshly ground pepper.
3. Bake for 15 minutes. Cooking time will vary greatly depending on the thickness of the salmon.
4. While salmon is cooking, lightly spray a small frying pan and heat to medium. Add the drained and blotted 1/4 cup brined capers. Saute for 3-5 minutes, or until capers start to crisp and brown. Remove from heat and salt aside until salmon is complete.
5. Remove salmon, which should be a light pink and flake easily with a fork. Top with crispy capers and serve.
6. If you've tried this recipe, come back and let us know how it was in the comments or star ratings.

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