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Looking for delicious winter warmers? This soup includes quinoa, Peru's famous protein-packed super seed, and lean chicken breast. If that's not enough to get you cooking, it also features coriander, a hint of chilli, and a zing of lime.

Ingredients

- 50 g coriander (leaves and stalks), plus extra leaves to serve
- 1 small onion, roughly chopped
- 1 garlic clove, peeled
- 1 green chilli, deseeded
- 1 celery stick, roughly chopped
- 1 tbsp extra-virgin olive oil
- 500 ml chicken stock
- 50 g quinoa, well rinsed
- 1 boneless, skinless chicken breast (about 150 g), quartered
- 50 g frozen peas
- Juice of $\frac{1}{2}$ a lime
- Sea salt flakes and freshly ground black pepper
- Lime wedges, to serve

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Method

Put the coriander, stalks and all, and the onion, garlic, chilli, celery and olive oil into a food processor and blitz until you get a pesto-like consistency.

Tip the mixture into a saucepan and fry gently for several minutes, then add the stock and rinsed quinoa. Bring to a simmer and cook for 15 minutes.

Add the chicken and cook for a further 15 minutes until the chicken and quinoa are cooked through. Transfer the chicken from the pan to a plate, then shred with a fork. Return the chicken to the pan with the peas and bring to a simmer. Add the lime juice and cook for a few minutes until the peas are tender.

Season and serve scattered with extra coriander leaves and lime wedges on the side.

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