Spanish Rice

Spanish Rice is a delicious blend of brown rice, spices, fresh onions, cilantro, and green peppers! It is both simple to prepare and a perfect accompaniment to serve with tacos and burritos.

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1 cup (8 oz spoodle) provides $\frac{1}{2}$ cup vegetable ($\frac{1}{8}$ cup red/orange vegetable, $\frac{1}{8}$ cup starchy vegetable, $\frac{1}{4}$ cup other vegetable), and 1 oz equivalent grains.



Preparation Time: 20 minutes
Cooking Time: 60 minutes

Makes: 6 servings

Ingredients

2 Tbsp or 1/4 oz Fresh cilantro

1 cup or 4 oz Fresh onions, chopped

1 cup or 5 ½ oz Fresh green peppers, chopped

½ tsp Fresh garlic cloves, minced

2 tsp Canola oil

1/4 cup or 4 oz Fresh celery, chopped

1 ½ cups or 5 ½ oz Frozen corn

½ tsp Salt

1/4 tsp Ground black pepper

½ tsp Chili powder

1 tsp Ground cumin

½ tsp Paprika

1/2 tsp Onion powder

1/4 tsp Cinnamon

1/4 tsp Garlic powder

Directions

1 Preheat oven:

Conventional oven: 350 °F. Convection oven: 325 °F.

2 Dice cilantro.

Set aside 1 Tbsp for step 12.

- 3 Heat oil in a medium saucepan. Add onions, peppers, garlic cloves, and 1 Tbsp cilantro. Sauté uncovered over medium heat for 2 minutes.
- 4 Add celery, corn, salt, pepper, and spices. Continue cooking one additional minute, stirring constantly.
- 5 Add beef broth, tomato paste, and diced tomatoes to onion mixture. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low and cook for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Set aside for step 7.
- 6 Place brown rice in a medium baking dish (9"x13"x 2").
- 7 Pour 3 cups beef broth mixture over rice. Add water and stir. Cover baking dish tightly.



Ingredients continued

1/4 tsp Oregano

1 cup Low-sodium beef broth

2 Tbsp or 1 ½ oz Canned no-salt-added tomato paste

 $\frac{1}{3}$ cup or 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz Canned no-salt-added diced tomatoes, undrained

1 cup or 7 oz Brown rice, long-grain, regular, dry, parboil

1 cup Water

1 Fresh lime

OR

1 Tbsp Lime juice

Directions continued

8 Bake:

Conventional oven: 350 °F for 45 minutes. Convection oven: 325 °F for 40 minutes.

- 9 Critical Control Point:
 Heat to 140° F or higher for at least
 15 seconds.
- 10 Remove from oven. Squeeze lime juice over rice. Stir well.
- 11 Critical Control Point: Hold at 140 °F or higher until served.
- **12** Garnish with remaining cilantro.
- 13 Serve 1 cup (portion with a 1 cup measuring cup or an 8 oz spoodle).

Source:

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Nutrients Per Serving: Calories 184, Protein 6 g, Carbohydrates 41 g, Dietary Fiber 5 g, Total Sugars 4 g, Total Fat 3 g, Saturated Fat 0 g, Cholesterol 1 mg, Sodium 308 mg, Vitamin A 38 mcg RAE, Vitamin C 27 mg, Vitamin D 0 IU, Calcium 54 mg, Iron 4 mg, Potassium 347 mg

