

Spanish Rice with Lentils

Makes 4 servings

Meals containing beans and grains are an ideal high fibre, lower fat alternative to meat. This meal is particularly high in folate, providing 92% of the recommended daily intake.

Ingredients:

1 tbsp	vegetable oil	15 mL
1 tsp	minced garlic	5 mL
1	medium onion, chopped	1
1	can (28 oz/796 mL) tomatoes, broken up	1
1	can (19 oz/540 mL) lentils, drained	1
	and rinsed	
1 cup	long grain rice	250 mL
1 cup	water	250 mL
1/2 tsp	each paprika, ground cumin and	2 mL
_	chili powder	
¹ / ₄ - 1/2 tsp	crushed red chilies	1-2 mL
1	medium sweet green pepper, diced	1

Directions:

- 1. In large saucepan or Dutch oven, heat oil over medium heat; add garlic and onion. Sauté for 3 to 5 minutes until onion is softened.
- 2. Add tomatoes, lentils, rice, water, paprika, cumin, chili powder and crushed red chilies. Bring to boil; reduce heat, cover and simmer for 20 minutes.
- 3. Add green pepper; simmer, uncovered, for 3 minutes or until rice is tender.

Nutrient Analysis:

Calories: 376
Fat: 5 g
Protein: 15 g
Carbohydrate: 70 g

Fibre: 8 g Sodium 573 mg Potassium 973 mg

Food Guide Servings:

Grain Products: 1 ½ Vegetables and Fruit: 2 Meat and Alternatives: 1

Complete this meal with a serving from the Milk and Alternatives group