## Winter Squash Whole Grain Risotto



#### Makes:

8

#### **Utensil:**

3 Qt. Ultimate Culinaire with Cover (Limited Edition) Saladmaster Food Processor Rate

Recipe:

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## **Recipe Description:**

Risotto is a rice dish from Northern Italy, traditionally made with Arborio rice. Short grain brown rice makes a wonderful alternative with a creamy texture. Soaking the rice overnight makes the rice softer and easier to digest.

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2 cups
short grain brown rice, soaked drained and rinsed
(380)
g)
     6 cups
vegetable stock
(1425
ml)
winter squash, peeled, seeded and cut into 1/2 cubes (choose
butternut, acorn or your favorite)
(420
g)
      1 leek, white part, cleaned, minced
     2 garlic cloves, shredded, use Cone #1
     1 tsp
natural salt (optional)
(6
g)
     \frac{1}{4} tsp
       nutmeg
(1/2)
g)
      1 tsp
thyme
(3/4
g)
     ½ cup
       white wine (optional)
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(118 g)

/<sub>4</sub> cup
goat cheese, soft
(68 g)
2 tbsp
parsley, fresh, chopped
(7 g)
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#### **Directions:**

- 1. Place short grain brown rice in bowl and cover with water. Soak rice for 3-4 hours or overnight. When you are ready to cook risotto, drain water from rice and rinse.
- 2. Place drained rice and vegetable stock in 3 qt. saucepan, cover and turn heat to medium. When Vapo-Valve begins to click steadily turn heat to low and cook for 50 minutes.
- 3. Preheat Ultimate Culinaire over medium heat for 7-9 minutes until a sprinkle of water skitters and dissipates.
- 4. Sauté leeks and garlic for 2 minutes until they start to brown slightly.
- Rinse cut squash with water and drain. Add squash, salt, nutmeg and thyme and stir to combine. Add white wine if using. Sauté for 3-4 minutes. Place cover on pan and when Vapo-Valve™ clicks steadily turn heat to low and cook for 10 minutes.
- 6. Remove cover from Ultimate Culinaire and stir, turn heat back to medium. Slowly add cooked rice and liquid to Ultimate Culinaire, stirring as you combine the ingredients. Add goat cheese to risotto, stir and cook for 8-10 minutes longer until liquid reduces slightly and risotto is creamy.
- 7. Taste, add extra fresh chopped parsley and serve.

# Tips:

 For a vegan entrée, omit goat cheese, it will still be very creamy. Garnish with a sprinkle of vegan Parmesan if desired.

## Nutritional Information per

Calories: 149
Total Fat: 2g
Saturated Fat: 1g
Cholesterol: 3mg
Sodium: 447mg
Total 26g
Carbs:
Dietary Fiber: 4g

Dietary Fiber: 4g Sugar: 2g Protein: 5g