

Chickpea and Vegetable Couscous

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Preparation time	10 minutes
Cooking time	
Servings	4
Cost per serving	
Storage	3 days in the fridge. Can be frozen.
Kitchen tools	Measuring cups and spoons, cutting board, vegetable peeler, sharp knife, can opener, colander, large pot, wooden spoon, small pot



Ingredients



15 ml (1 tbsp) canola oil



1 large or 2 small **yellow onions**, diced into large chunks
(about 250 ml / 1 cup)



15 ml (1 tbsp) ground cumin



Salt, pepper and Tabasco-style **hot sauce**, to taste



2 **carrots**, peeled and cut into small sticks (3-4 cm)



1 small **rutabaga**, peeled and diced (about 750 ml / 3 cups)



500 ml (2 cups) chicken broth



1 can (796 ml) diced tomatoes



375 ml (1½ cups) water



375 ml (1½ cups) dry **couscous**



1 can (540 ml) **chickpeas**, drained and thoroughly rinsed



60 ml (¼ cup) raisins

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Balanced plate

Serve with:

? A fruit

? A glass of milk or fortified soy beverage



Directions

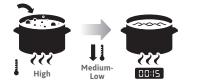
In a large pot over medium-high heat, heat the **oil** and cook the **onion** for about 3 minutes, until browned.



Add the **cumin**, **salt** and **pepper**, and cook for 1 more minute.



Add the **carrots**, **rutabaga** and **broth**. Bring to a boil over high heat, lower heat and gently simmer for about 15 minutes.



Add the **diced tomatoes** and cook for an additional 5 to 10 minutes, or until desired consistency.



Meanwhile, boil the **water** in a small pot and prepare the **couscous** according to package directions.



Add the **chickpeas** and **raisins** to the vegetables and cook for 2 to 3 more minutes.



Add **hot sauce** to taste, adjust the salt and pepper (if needed) and serve couscous with sauce on top.





My rating: * * *

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