

RED BEANS & RICE

INGREDIENTS

- 4 teaspoons oil
- 2 bell peppers, chopped
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1 stalk celery, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- ½ teaspoon Cajun or creole seasoning blend
- ½ teaspoon dried thyme
- 2 cups cooked or canned red beans*
- 2 tablespoons apple cider vinegar
- 1 tablespoon hot sauce, optional
- 1/3 pound smoked sausage, sliced, optional
- 2 cups cooked rice
- 2 green onions, sliced

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Heat oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add peppers, onion and celery, and cook for 10 minutes, stirring frequently.
- 2. Add garlic, seasoning blend, and thyme and cook for 1-2 minutes.
- 3. Stir in beans and vinegar. Add in hot sauce and smoked sausage, if using. Cook for 5 more minutes.
- 4. Serve beans over a scoop of rice and sprinkle with green onions.

WHITE BEAN DIP

INGREDIENTS

- 1 clove garlic
- ¼ cup lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups cooked or canned white beans (Great Northern, navy beans)*
- Tortilla chips, pita chips, and/or cut vegetables for serving

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Add garlic, lemon juice, salt, and white beans to a blender or food processer and blend until smooth. Feel free to use a fork or potato masher for a chunkier texture.
- 2. Transfer to serving dish and serve with your favorite dippers like tortilla chips, pita chips, or raw vegetables, like carrots, celery, broccoli, or cauliflower.

Hope starts here.

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