CAULIFLOWER RICE STUFFED PEPPERS

Adapted from Minimalist Baker

Ingredients

for the cauliflower rice
□ 2 cups cauliflower (about 1/3 large head)
□ 1 tablespoon olive oil
□ 3 cloves garlic, minced
□ 1 cup diced red onion
□ Pinch (1/8 teaspoon) salt

for the peppers
□ 2 cups cooked brown rice (about 1 cup dry)
□ 15-ounce can of black beans, rinsed and drained
□ 2/3 cup salsa
□ 2 teaspoons cumin powder
□ 2 teaspoons chili powder
□ 2 tablespoons lime juice
□ ¼ teaspoon each salt and black pepper
□ 4 large bell peppers, halved with seeds removed
□ 1 tablespoon olive oil

Instructions

Set oven to 375° F. Use a box grater, food processor, or blender (on low setting; see notes) to “rice” cauliflower.

Heat a large rimmed skillet over medium heat and add oil, garlic, onion, salt, and pepper. Sauté for 1 minute, then add riced cauliflower and stir to coat. Cover the skillet to let steam for 1 minute, then remove from heat and transfer to a large mixing bowl. Add brown rice, black beans, salsa, spices, lime juice, salt, and pepper to the bowl and mix well. (Adjust seasonings to taste, as desired.)

Set out a rimmed baking sheet or 9x13-inch baking dish. Brush halved peppers with olive oil. Stuff halved peppers with about ½ cup of the mixture until all peppers are full.

Cover with foil and bake 30 minutes. Then remove foil, increase heat to 400° F, and bake for another 15 to 20 minutes (until peppers are soft and slightly golden brown).

Notes:
• If using a blender to rice cauliflower, pulse a few florets at a time on a low setting to avoid over-blending. If using a box grater to rice cauliflower, use medium-sized holes.
• Optional toppings: cilantro, hot sauce, avocado

Yield: 4 servings

NUTRITION FACTS PER SERVING

CALORIES: 360  PROTEIN: 12 grams  SODIUM: 540 milligrams
CARBOHYDRATE: 58 grams  FIBER: 11 grams
FAT: 9 grams  SATURATED FAT: 1 grams