# **Exotic Curry Rice Medley**

## FOR THE RICE:

1 1/2 C basmati rice 3 C water 1/2 t salt

## FOR THE CREAMY CURRY SAUCE:

2 T olive oil

1 lg onion, finely chopped

2 cloves garlic, minced

2 med potatoes, peeled and diced

1/2 C raw cashews

1 T yellow curry powder

1 t ground cumin

1 t ground coriander

1/2 t turmeric

1/2 t chili powder (adjust to taste for heat level)

1 C brewed Raja Oolong Chai tea (strong)

1 C coconut milk

1 C vegetable broth Salt and pepper to taste

## FOR THE PROTEIN ADDITIONS:

1 lb. boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cut into bite-sized pieces
1/2 lb. shrimp, peeled and deveined
1 C fried tofu cubes
2 T olive oil (for cooking the proteins)

#### **ADDITIONAL INGREDIENTS:**

1 C pineapple chunks (fresh or canned, drained)1/2 C golden raisins

# **FOR GARNISH:**

Fresh cilantro, chopped (optional) Limes, quartered (optional)

## **COOK THE RICE:**

- 1. Rinse the basmati rice under cold water until the water runs clear.
- 2. In a medium saucepan, bring 3 cups of water to a boil. Add the rice and salt, reduce the heat to low, cover, and simmer for 15-20 minutes, or until the rice is tender and the water is absorbed. Fluff with a fork and set aside.

## PREPARE THE PROTEINS:

- 1. In a large skillet, heat 1 tablespoon of olive oil over medium-high heat. Add the chicken pieces and cook until browned and cooked through, about 5-7 minutes. Remove from the skillet and set aside.
- 2. In the same skillet, add another tablespoon of olive oil. Add the shrimp and cook until pink and opaque, about 3-4 minutes. Remove from the skillet and set aside.
- 3. Add the fried tofu cubes to the skillet and cook until golden brown on all sides, about 3-4 minutes. Remove from the skillet and set aside.

## PREPARE THE CREAMY CURRY SAUCE:

- 1. In a large skillet or saucepan, heat the olive oil over medium heat.
- 2. Add the chopped onion and sauté until it becomes translucent, about 5 minutes.
- 3. Add the minced garlic and diced potatoes, and cook for another 5 minutes, stirring occasionally.
- 4. Add the raw cashews and cook for 2-3 minutes until they start to toast slightly.

- 5. Stir in the yellow curry powder, ground cumin, ground coriander, turmeric, and chili powder. Cook for 1-2 minutes until the spices are fragrant.
- 6. Pour in the brewed Raja Oolong Chai tea, coconut milk, and vegetable broth. Stir to combine.
- 7. Bring the mixture to a simmer and cook for 15-20 minutes, or until the potatoes are tender and the sauce has thickened. Season with salt and pepper to taste.

#### **COMBINE AND SERVE:**

- 1. Add the cooked chicken, shrimp, fried tofu, pineapple chunks, and golden raisins to the creamy curry sauce. Stir to combine and heat through.
- 2. Serve the cooked rice on plates or in bowls, and ladle the creamy curry sauce with chicken, shrimp, tofu, pineapple, and raisins over the top.
- 3. Garnish with fresh cilantro and limes if desired.

## PREP AND COOK TIMES

Prep Time: 30 minutes (plus marinating time)

Cook Time: 40 minutes

Total Time: 1 hour 10 minutes