

The Ayurvedic Center of Vermont Kitchari Recipe

Ingredients:

- ¹/₂ cup organic yellow split dal
- ¹/₂ cup organic white basmati rice
- 5 cups of water
- 2 inch knob of ginger root- peeled and coarsely chopped
- 2 inch knob of turmeric root- peeled and coarsely chopped
- 1/3 cup unsweetened shredded coconut
- 1 tsp turmeric powder
- 1 ½ tsp of curry powder or garam masala
- 1 tsp ground coriander
- 1 tsp ground fennel
- 1 tsp ground cumin
- 2 curry leaves
- 1 tsp fennel seeds
- Seasonal vegetables beets, carrots, sweet potatoes, zucchini, bok choy, kale, swiss chard, etc.
- 1 Tablespoon ghee
- 2 tsp salt (or to taste)
- Additional Toppings: Cilantro, fresh lime and shredded coconut

Method:

- 1. Combine rice and dhal in a large stainless steel pot. Rinse with cold water, drain and repeat twice more.
- 2. Add 5 cups of water and bring to a boil, scrape off foam that rises to the surface.
- 3. Once the rice/dahl is boiling, reduce to medium heat and add ginger root, turmeric root and coconut, simmer for 5 minutes. Add any root vegetables (beets, carrots, parsnips) and spices.
- 4. Allow kitchari to sustain at a low boil for about 25 minutes, stirring and scraping the bottom of the pot frequently to prevent sticking. Add more water as needed.
- 5. Add any softer vegetables such as zucchini, summer squash, green beans, chard stems or kale stems and allow to cook for 5 more minutes.
- 6. Turn off heat and add ghee, salt and any greens. Top with fresh lime juice, cilantro and a sprinkle of coconut.

Serves: 3-4