Asian Rice Pilaf

Ingredients:

3 tablespoons butter 1/2 cup sliced carrot 1/2 cup sliced celery 1/2 cup chopped onion 1 cup uncooked long grain rice 2 tablespoons soy sauce

- 2 teaspoons sugar
 2 teaspoons dried parsley flakes
 2 teaspoons chicken bouillon granules
 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
 2-1/2 cups frozen peas (about 10 ounces), thawed
- 2 cups water
- 1. In a large saucepan, heat butter over medium-high heat.
- 2.Sauté carrot, celery and onion until tender, about 3-5 minutes on high heat.
- 3. Stir in rice until coated, about 3-5 minutes.
- 4. Stir in water, soy sauce, sugar and seasonings; bring to a boil.
- 5. Reduce heat; simmer, covered, until liquid is absorbed and rice is tender—about 15 minutes. (If using brown rice, timing needs to be adjusted as it will take longer for the rice to fully cook).
- 6. Gently stir in peas.
- 7.NOTE: For added protein, add baked/fried tofu or hard-boiled eggs as toppings. These can be found in the produce section of your grocery store. Crunchy nuts like roasted peanuts, sunflower seeds or pumpkin seeds could also be added.

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