Black-Eyed Peas and Rice (Hoppin' John)

Ingredients

- 2 medium celery stalks
- 1 medium red bell pepper
- 1 medium onion
- 2 cloves garlic
- 1 (8-ounce) slice smoked, lean, low-sodium ham
- 1 (15-ounce) can black-eyed peas (low sodium)
- 1 Tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme
- 4 cups low-sodium chicken broth
- 2 cups brown rice (not instant)
- ¼ teaspoon cayenne pepper (optional)

Pinch salt

Pinch ground black pepper

Directions

- 1. Rinse and dice celery and bell pepper. Peel, rinse, and dice onion. Peel and mince garlic.
- 2. Dice ham.
- 3. In a colander, rinse and drain black-eyed peas and set aside.
- 4. In a large pot over medium heat, heat oil. Add celery, bell pepper, onion, garlic, and thyme. Cook, stirring occasionally, until vegetables are softened, about 5-7 minutes.
- 5. Add broth to pot. Bring to a boil. Add rice. Reduce heat to simmer. Cover and cook for 45 minutes, NEVER removing lid during cooking.
- 6. After 45 minutes, turn off heat. Let rice sit with COVER ON for 15 minutes to absorb excess water. Remove lid and fluff with fork.

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7. Stir in ham, black-eyed peas, cayenne, salt, and pepper.

Nutrition Facts Serving Size: 0.2 × full recipe		
Calories	379.7 kcal	19 %
Total Fat	6.5 g	10 %
Saturated Fat	1.5 g	7 %
Trans Fat	0 g	
Cholesterol	18.1 mg	6 %
Sodium	464.9 mg	19 %
Total Carbohydrate	63.7 g	21 %
Dietary Fiber	8.9 g	36 %
Sugars	6.7 g	
Protein	18.3 g	37 %
Vitamin A	14 % • Vitamin C	45 %
Calcium	5 % • Iron	17 %
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