Cabbage Roll In A Bowl

Yield: 4 to 6 Servings Author: DeepSouthDish.com

Prep Time: 10 Min Cook Time: 30 Min Total Time: 40 Min

Cabbage with ground beef or sausage, or a combination of them, cooked rice, tomato sauce and a little sweet and sour element - the flavors of classic stuffed cabbage rolls, in a quick shortcut, one pot version.

INGREDIENTS

- 1 tablespoon bacon drippings or butter
- 1 pound lean (85/15) ground beef, raw breakfast sausage or a combination
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1 (8 ounce) tomato sauce
- 1 sauce can water
- 1 (16 ounce) package coleslaw mix
- 3 teaspoons light brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
- 1-1/2 cups cooked rice
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly cracked black pepper
- Hot sauce, to taste, optional

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Melt bacon drippings or butter in a large pot. Add onion and cook until tender, about 4 minutes
- 2. Add ground beef and/or raw sausage and cook until no longer pink. Drain off excess fat if needed.
- 3. Add the tomato sauce and water; bring to a boil, reduce to low simmer and let cook for 10 minutes, stirring regularly.
- 4. Add the cabbage, stir, cover and cook over medium until wilted down, about 5 minutes.
- 5. Add lemon juice, brown sugar and rice; stir in. Add salt and pepper.
- 6. Cover and cook another 10 minutes, or to desired consistency. Taste, adjust seasonings if needed and add hot sauce if desired, or offer at the table.

NOTES

For a juicier version, add in a (14.5 ounce) can diced tomatoes. Doubles nicely. May substitute a small head of cabbage (for about 9 cups sliced). Use a larger stockpot (about 8 quarts) and wilt down in batches. Increase tomato sauce to a 15-ounce can and extend final cooking time to about 20 minutes, or to desired consistency, after adding rice.

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