## **Basic Mexican Rice**

2 tablespoons canola oil

1/2 onion, chopped

3 cloves garlic, minced

2 cups white rice

1 14.5 ounce can diced tomatoes

1 10 ounce can Rotel tomatoes (optional - sometimes I leave this out)

2 cups chicken broth (add a little more if leaving out the Rotel)

1 teaspoon cumin

1 teaspoon salt

Heal the oil in a large skillet over medium high heat. Add the onion and sauté 2-3 minutes until softened, then add the garlic and sauté for an additional minute, until fragrant. Stir in the rice and let cook for a few minutes, stirring frequently so the rice does not burn. Stir in the diced tomatoes, Rotel, chicken broth, cumin, and salt, and bring to a simmer. Cover, reduce heat, and let simmer 10-15 minutes, or until liquid is absorbed.

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