

Lifestyle Coaching and Food Institute



Cheddar Chicken Quinoa Bake

Yield: 4 servings

Cost Per Serving: N/A
Cook Time: 45 minutes

Ingredients:

- 1 Tbsp olive oil
- 1 shallot (minced)
- 1 garlic clove (minced)
- 2 green onions (chopped)
- 1 tomato (chopped)
- 1 (8oz) can no salt added tomato sauce
- 1/4 cup cilantro (chopped)
- 1 ½ cups grated 2% milk fat cheddar cheese (divided)

- Dash of red pepper flakes
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 2 cups cooked and shredded chicken
- 2 cups cooked quinoa
- ½ red bell peppers (chopped)
- 1 green chili pepper (diced)

Directions:

- 1. Preheat oven to 375 °F and grease an 8 x 8 baking dish.
- 2. In a skillet over medium-high heat, add olive oil, shallot, garlic and green onions. Sauté for about 2-3 minutes.
- 3. Add chopped tomato, tomato sauce, red pepper flakes, salt and pepper. Stir and simmer for 5-7 minutes.
- 4. Meanwhile, combine quinoa, chicken, red pepper, chili pepper, cilantro, and 1 cup cheddar cheese in a large bowl. Season with salt and pepper to taste.
- 5. Add sauce to the bowl and toss to combine.
- 6. Transfer mixture to the baking dish.
- 7. Top with remaining $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of cheddar cheese and cover with foil.
- 8. Bake for 15 minutes. Remove the foil and bake for another 10 minutes.
- 9. Remove from the oven and garnish with additional green onions and/or cilantro.