Paella

This classic Spanish dish from Valencia is delicious and healthy; it makes a complete meal on one plate and is a great illustration of the versatility of rice. You can choose different proteins to make this dish different each time you serve it.

Ingredients:

- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 25 ml extra virgin olive oil
- 2 hot or sweet Italian sausage links
- 400 g chicken pieces or 1 chopped chicken breast
- 250 ml long grain rice
- 1 onion chopped
- 325 ml chicken broth
- 250 ml diced tomatoes, with juice
- 2 ml sweet paprika
- 1-2 ml ground red pepper
- 1 ml ground saffron
- 250 g medium shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 1/2 red bell pepper cut into strips
- ½ green bell pepper cut into strips
- ml frozen green peas

Instructions:

- 1. Heat the garlic and oil in large skillet or paellero (special paella pan) over medium-high heat. Remove the sausage meat from its casings. Add the chicken and sausage to oil and stir until browned, about 10 minutes. Spoon off all but 1 tablespoon drippings from the skillet.
- 2. Add the rice and onion. Cook, stirring, until the onion is transparent and rice is lightly browned, about 5 minutes. Add the broth, tomatoes and their juice, paprika, red pepper, and saffron. Bring to a boil; reduce heat, cover, and simmer for 10 minutes.
- 3. Add the shrimp, red and green pepper strips, and peas. Cover and simmer for 15 minutes, or until rice is tender and liquid is absorbed. Serve immediately.

Nutritional Analysis:

Calories: 364 Protein: 23 grams

Fat: 13 grams - Saturated Fat: 3 grams

Carbohydrates: 39 grams

Fiber: 3 grams Sodium: 588 mg