## Lemon Southwest Rice

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- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1 cup leek, thinly sliced
- 1 tablespoon minced garlic
- 2 cups long-grain rice
- 4 cups low-sodium chicken broth
- 1/4 cup fresh lemon juice
- 3/4 teaspoon salt, or MORE to taste
- 1/4 teaspoon ground coriander
- 1/8 teaspoon saffron threads, crushed
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro
- 1/4 cup chopped green chiles, canned, undrained
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon rind

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## Servings: 8

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- 1. Melt butter in a large nonstick skillet over medium heat. Add leek; cook 5 minutes or until tender, stirring frequently. Add garlic; cook 1 minute, stirring constantly. Add rice, and cook 1 minute, stirring constantly.
- 2. Add broth and next 4 ingredients, through saffron; if using a rice cooker, pour the mixture in it and let it do its thing; bring to a boil. Cover, reduce heat, and simmer 30 minutes or until rice is tender and liquid is absorbed. Stir in cilantro, chiles, and rind. If serving to guests, use a heated serving dish as the rice cools off quickly.

Per Serving (excluding unknown items): 222 Calories; 4g Fat (16.7% calories from fat); 9g Protein; 41g Carbohydrate; 1g Dietary Fiber; 8mg Cholesterol; 255mg Sodium. Exchanges: 2 1/2 Grain(Starch); 1/2 Lean Meat; 1/2 Vegetable; 0 Fruit; 1/2 Fat.