Backpackers Breakfast

This recipe makes 16 cups or 8 large servings



Ingredients

2 cups basmati rice

2 cups chicken broth

2 cups water

1 cup frozen peas (or freeze-dried peas add ½ c water)

2 apples

12 eggs

1lb bacon or sausage

seasonings: italian seasoning, oregano, garlic salt, whatever you prefer

optional: shredded cheddar cheese

Directions:

- 1. Prepare the rice according to the package; use the chicken broth and water as the liquid.
- 2. Once the rice is cooked, stir in the peas and let them cook through
- 3. Cook your sausage or bacon in a skillet until fully cooked. Cut or chop it into small pieces, and if the protein is greasy, drain and rinse well
- 4. Chop the apples into small, thin pieces to ensure they freeze-dry easily. Set them aside.
- 5. In a bowl, whisk the eggs with 1 teaspoon of salt.
- 6. Scramble them in a skillet and cook until they are just slightly undercooked, as they will finish cooking when mixed with the hot rice.
- 7. In a large mixing bowl, combine the cooked rice and peas with the chopped bacon or sausage, scrambled eggs, and chopped apples. Stir everything together until well mixed.
- 8. Add parchment paper to your trays
- 9. Divide the mixture evenly on your trays (we used 2 large trays)
- 10. If using cheese, add shredded cheese to a separate tray
- 11. Place dividers (if you choose). We used 4 portions per tray
- 12. Pre-freeze before Freeze Drying, when possible
- 13. Freeze Dry (my cycle time was 31 hours)
- 14. Store in jars for short-term use or in mylar bags for long-term storage

Rehydration:

If using freeze-dried cheese, add ½ cup per serving when bagging or before rehydrating. To rehydrate, add 1 cup boiling water to 1 divider portion, let sit for 5 minutes, and stir. If you did not use dividers, use 2 cups of freeze-dried mix with 1 cup boiling water. You can also rehydrate directly in a mylar bag—ideal for camping.

Calories: 418 Protein: 22 g Fat: 25 g Carbohydrates: 22 g Fiber: 2 g Sugar: 7 g