

Spring Vegetable Fonio Pilaf



Spring vegetables add freshness and color to fonio in this easy side dish.

—Chef Pierre Thiam

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INGREDIENTS

- 2 tablespoons peanut or vegetable oil
- 1 shallot, thinly sliced
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 1 large carrot, diced
- 1/2 cup vegetable or chicken broth
- 1/4 cup fresh or frozen green peas
- 1/4 cup fresh or frozen corn kernels
- 2 cups cooked fonio
- 2 scallions, thinly sliced

Salt and freshly ground black pepper

PREPARATION

- Heat the oil in a saucepan over medium-high heat. Add the shallot and cook until soft but not brown, about 1 minute. Add the garlic and carrots and cook for another 3 minutes, until the garlic is fragrant. Add the broth and simmer, covered, until the carrots are tender, about 10 minutes.
- Add the peas and corn and cook for about 1 minute. Fold in the fonio and scallions and season with salt and pepper to taste. Serve hot or at room temperature.

Serves 4

Note: Fonio is available at select grocers including Whole Foods nationwide. You can order Yolélé Fonio through <u>Amazon.</u>