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## Pilaf with Ground Meat

Kıymalı Pilav



1 + 1/2 cup rice  
3.6 ounces ground meat  
2 long green peppers  
1 small onion  
1 medium tomato  
1/3 cup orzo  
1/3 cup vegetable oil  
1 + 1/2 tsp salt  
3 cups water

- # Dice the onion so finely, par-cook with 2 tbsp oil, and add so finely sliced peppers, and roast.
- # Add the ground meat, roast by stirring constantly. When the ground meat gets roasted add grated tomato and salt, remove from the stove when the colour of the tomatoes changes.
- # Put the oil into a separate pot, when the oil gets hot add the orzo and roast until it turns to pink.
- # Add the rice which is rested in water, washed and drained in it, and roast until it turns to transparent by stirring constantly.
- # Add the mixture in the separate pot in it, and stir a few times and then add the water.
- # Cook over medium heat at first, then turn the heat to low and cook for 17 minutes.
- # Place a paper towel between the pot and its lid after removing the pot from the stove, and rest it for half an hour.
- # Stir and serve.

**Note:** Pilaf with ground meat is the special recipe of the editor's mother.