## Wild Rice with Pearl Omions

6 tablespoons butter

18 ounces pearl onions, blanched 1 minute and peeled

4 1/2 cups broth

3 tablespoons chopped fresh thyme

1 1/4 cups wild rice

1 1/4 cups long-grain white rice

6 ounces dried apricots, coarsely chopped

1 cup dried tart cherries

1 cup raisins

1 cup pecans, toasted, chopped

- Melt 2 tablespoons butter in skillet over medium heat. Add onions and saute until brown, about 15 minutes.
- Bring broth and 1 tablespoon thyme to boil in large saucepan. Add wild rice; bring to boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer 30 minutes. Add white rice; cover and simmer until all rice is tender and liquid is almost absorbed, about 15 minutes longer.
- Stir dried fruit and remaining thyme into rice mixture; cover and simmer 3 minutes. Stir in onions and remaining butter. Mix in pecans.
- Preheat oven to 350F. Butter 13x9x2 glass baking dish. Place mixture in dish, cover with buttered foil and bake about 30 minutes.

Serves 8 to 10



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