Savory Oat Groats And Kale

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Oat groats are the whole kernels of oats. They are sweet with a moist but chewy texture, almost meaty. It may seem different eating oats for lunch or dinner but you're going to love them in this dish! So filling and delicious!

Equipment:

Cutting Board Medium Saucepan Medium Skillet

Ingredients:

2 Tbsp olive oil

1 small onion (1/2 cup), finely chopped

1 medium leek, white and pale-green parts only, halved lengthwise, cut into matchsticks and rinsed well

4 garlic cloves, thinly sliced

1 small carrot, cut into 1/4-inch dice

 $1 \; cup \; oat \; groats$

1 cup vegetable stock

1/2 tsp sea salt

 $6~\rm ounces$ kale, stemmed and cut crosswise into 1/2-inch-wide strips dash crushed red-pepper flakes (optional)

Lemon wedges, for serving

Directions:

- 1. Heat 1 Tbsp olive oil in a medium saucepan over medium heat until hot but not smoking. Add onion, leek, and half the garlic. Cook, stirring, until onion is translucent, about 5 minutes. Stir in carrot and groats; cook 1 minute. Add stock, 1 cup water, and the salt. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer, covered, 25 minutes.
- 2. Heat remaining Tbsp olive oil in a medium skillet over medium heat until hot but not smoking. Add remaining garlic and kale; cook, stirring, until wilted, about 3 minutes.
- 3. Stir kale mixture into groats. Cover; cook until liquid is completely absorbed and groats are tender but still chewy, about 5 minutes. Season with red-pepper flakes. Serve with lemon wedges.

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