

## Japanese-style Sticky Rice with Chicken and Cabbage

Serves 2-4 | 20 minutes prep (plus rice soaking time) + 40 minutes cook time

Koda Farms Sho-Chiku-Bai sweet rice, a type of glutinous or sticky rice called mochigome in Japan, provides the base for this one-pot meal called okowa. A layer of soaked rice gets topped with chicken and vegetables, and it all steams together in a dashi broth flavored with sake, soy, and mirin.

1 cup Koda Farms Sho-Chiku-Bai sweet rice

⅔ cup dashi\*

2 teaspoons soy

2 teaspoons sake

2 teaspoons mirin

1 tablespoon sesame oil

½ teaspoon sea salt

1 small carrot, cut into 1/4 inch pieces

½ onion, sliced

1 boneless chicken thigh, cut into bite-sized pieces

1 cup cabbage, chopped

¼ c dried shrimp, soaked 10 minutes in hot water and drained, optional

\*use Kuze Fuku instant dashi packet, substitute instant hondashi powder, or dashi made with dried mushrooms **Step 1** Place the rice in a bowl large enough to hold several cups of water, add cold water, swirl the rice with your fingers, and drain. Repeat 4-5 times until the water is relatively clear. Add enough cold water to cover the rice by an inch and soak for at least 4 hours or overnight. Drain well in a sieve or colander.

**Step 2** Make the dashi according to the instructions on the packet. Combine <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cup (reserve extra dashi for another use) with soy, sake, mirin, sesame oil, and salt.

**Step 3** Spread the drained rice into a saucepan with a lid and add the dashi mixture..

**Step 4** Carefully add the carrots, onion, chicken, cabbage, and shrimp in layers without disturbing the rice.

**Step 5** Over medium heat, bring gently to boil, reduce heat to a simmer, cover, and cook for 20 minutes. Take the pan off the burner but do not remove the lid. Let the rice rest for another 20 minutes before opening and serving.