

# 12 Healthy Freezer Meals from Sam's Club

Free Printable Recipes, Shopping List & Labels



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Free printable recipes and grocery list below!

### **Recipe List**

- 1. Tex Mex Beef and Cabbage (x3)
- 2. Sweet and Sour BBQ Chicken (x3)
- 3. Southwest Rice and Bean Soup (x3)
- 4. Sausage-Stuffed Mini Sweet Peppers (x3)

**Note**: I tripled each recipe for a total of 12 meals to take advantage of Sam's Club's bulk ingredients.

### Freezer Meal Labels

Print on Avery 22827 sticker labels or regular computer paper (attach to bags with clear shipping tape).

### **Helpful Links**

- <u>Freezer Meal Pro Membership</u> (use coupon code "<u>SAMSCLUB</u>" to save an extra 20%)
- Jokari Hands-Free Baggy Racks
- Reusable Freezer Bags
- Freezer Cooking Apron from my mom's Etsy shop

### Tex Mex Beef and Cabbage

Serve with rice and top with shredded cheddar cheese and sour cream.

Yields: 6 servings per freezer bag

### Ingredients (for each bag)

- 1 pound lean ground beef (I used 85% organic lean ground beef)
- 8 oz fresh coleslaw mix, grated cabbage and carrots (I split a 32oz bag of cabbage between my three freezer bags, about 3 handfuls per bag)
- 15 oz can black beans, drained and rinsed
- 14.5 oz can diced tomatoes, undrained
- 1 cup corn (I split 4 ears between 3 bags)
- 2 tablespoons chili powder
- 1 tablespoon paprika
- 1 tablespoon cumin
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- 1 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
- 1 teaspoon salt

### **Materials**

1 gallon-sized plastic freezer bag

### To Freeze and Cook Later

- 1. Label your freezer bag with the name of the recipe, cooking instructions, and "use-by" date (3 months from when you prepped the meal).
- 2. Add all ingredients to your freezer bag.
- 3. Remove as much air as possible, seal, and freeze for up to three months.

### To Cook in Crockpot

- 1. Add contents of freezer bag to crockpot and cook 6-8 hours on low.
- 2. Break apart ground beef and stir.

### To Cook in Instant Pot

- 1. Add frozen meal to Instant Pot and sauté 5 minutes to release some liquid.
- 2. Flip over.
- 3. Add 1 cup water or beef broth.
- 4. Pressure cook 25 minutes.
- 5. Natural release.
- 6. Break apart beef and stir.

### To Cook on Stovetop

- 1. Thaw freezer meal.
- 2. Add contents of freezer bag to large skillet, pot, or sauté pan.
- 3. Bring to a boil and simmer uncovered for 15 minutes, stirring occasionally, until beef is cooked through and cabbage is tender.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Note: I tripled this recipe and made three bags \*\*

### Sweet and Sour BBQ Chicken

Serve with rice.

Yields: 4 servings per freezer bag



### Ingredients (for each bag)

- 1 pound ground chicken + (I split a 2.75lb container between 3 freezer bags)
- 1 yellow onion, diced (one cup)
- 1 green pepper, diced
- 1 red pepper, diced (I bought a package of red, orange, and yellow peppers and split them between the 3 bags)
- 1 pineapple, diced (I split a 2.5lb container between 3 bags)
- 1 bottle (18oz per bottle) spicy BBQ sauce (I bought a pack of two 40oz bottles and used 1.5 of them between the 3 bags)

### **Materials**

• 1 gallon-sized freezer bag

### To Freeze and Cook Later

- 1. Label your freezer bag with the name of the recipe, cooking instructions, and "use-by" date.
- 2. Add all ingredients to your freezer bag.
- 3. Remove as much air as possible, seal, and freeze.

### To Cook in Crockpot

1. Add contents of freezer bag to crockpot and cook 4-6 hours on low.

### To Cook in Instant Pot

- 1. Add frozen meal to Instant Pot and sauté 5 minutes to release some liquid.
- 2. Flip over.
- 3. Add 1/2 cup water.
- 4. Pressure cook 20 minutes.
- 5. Natural release.
- 6. Break apart chicken and stir.
- + Salmon Option: Replace ground chicken with 1 pound of skinless salmon.

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### Southwest Rice and Bean Soup

Serve with chips, shredded cheese, and guacamole.

Yields: 6 servings per freezer bag

### Ingredients (for each bag)

- 15oz can black beans, drained and rinsed
- 14.5oz can diced tomatoes, undrained
- 1 red pepper, diced
- 1 green pepper, diced
- 1 cup corn (I split 4 ears of corn between 3 freezer bags)
- 1 package Seeds of Change quinoa and brown rice (can substitute ¼ cup dry wild rice)
- 2 tablespoons chili powder
- 2 teaspoons cumin
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- ½ teaspoon garlic powder
- ½ teaspoon oregano
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon pepper
- 32 oz chicken broth (4 cups) (not needed until day of cooking) (substitute vegetable broth to make vegetarian and vegan)

### **Materials**

1 gallon-sized freezer bag

### To Freeze and Cook Later

- 1. Label your freezer bag with the name of the recipe, cooking instructions, and "use-by" date (3 months from when you prepped the meal).
- 2. Add all ingredients except broth to your freezer bag.
- 3. Remove as much air as possible, seal, and freeze.

### To Cook in Crockpot

- 1. Add contents of freezer bag to crockpot with 32oz broth.
- 2. Cook 4-6 hours on low.



### To Cook in Instant Pot

- 1. Add frozen meal to Instant Pot and sauté 5 minutes to release some liquid.
- 2. Flip over and add 32oz (4 cups) broth.
- 3. Pressure cook 15 minutes.
- 4. Natural release.

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### Sausage-Stuffed Mini Sweet Peppers

Serve over spaghetti or zucchini "noodles".

Yields: 4 servings per freezer bag



### Ingredients (for each bag)

- 1 pound mini sweet peppers (I bought two 1.5lb bags)
- 3/4 pound ground Italian sausage (I bought a two pound package of sweet ground sausage)
- 32oz jar pasta sauce (I bought a three-pack of Classico Tomato & Basil pasta sauce)
- 8oz shredded mozzarella cheese (not needed until day of cooking) (about 2 cups)

### **Materials**

1 gallon-sized freezer bag

### To Freeze and Cook Later

- 1. Label your freezer bag with the name of the recipe, cooking instructions, and "use-by" date (three months from when you prepped the meal).
- 2. Cut tops off peppers and remove seeds. (It's OK if you don't get every single seed out.)
- 3. Stuff the peppers with sausage.
- 4. Add stuffed peppers and spaghetti sauce to your freezer bag.
- 5. Remove as much air as possible, seal, and freeze for up to three months.

### To Cook in Crockpot

- 1. Add contents of freezer bag to crockpot and cook 6-8 hours on low.
- 2. Top with mozzarella cheese and add lid for 5 minutes or until melted.

### To Cook in Instant Pot

- 1. Add frozen meal to Instant Pot and sauté 5 minutes to release some liquid.
- 2. Flip over.
- 3. Add one cup water.
- 4. Pressure cook 25 minutes.
- 5. Natural release.
- 6. Top with mozzarella cheese and replace lid for 5 minutes or until melted.

**To Cook in Oven** (thaw overnight in refrigerator for shorter cooking time)

- 1. Pre-heat oven to 400° Fahrenheit.
- 2. Add contents of freezer bag to 9x13" glass or aluminum baking pan.
- 3. Cover with foil.
- 4. Bake 30-90 minutes (30 if fresh or thawed and 90 if frozen).
- 5. Uncover and stir.
- 6. Top with shredded cheese and bake, uncovered, for additional 10 minutes or until sausage is cooked through.

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### Grocery List for All 12 Meals

(The number next to each ingredient corresponds to its recipe number.)

### **Produce**

- 24oz fresh coleslaw mix, grated cabbage and carrots (I bought a 32oz bag and used all of it) (1)
- 6 cups corn (I bought a pack of 8 ears of corn on the cob and used all of them) (1, 3)
- 3 yellow onions (substitute a bag of frozen diced onions to save time) (2)
- 6 green peppers (2, 3)
- 6 red peppers (I bought a bag with 2 red pepper, 2 orange peppers, and 2 yellow peppers) (2, 3)
- 3 pineapples diced (I bought a 2.5lb container) (2)
- 3 pounds mini sweet peppers (I bought two 1.5lb bags) (4)

### Meat

- 3 pounds lean ground beef (1) (I bought 85% lean organic ground beef)
- 3 pounds ground chicken (I bought a 2.75lb package) (2)
- 21/4 pound ground Italian sausage (I bought a two pound package of sweet ground sausage) (4)

### Canned/Dried

- 3 bottles (18oz per bottle) spicy BBQ sauce (I bought a pack of two 40oz bottles) (2)
- 6 cans (15oz each) black beans (1, 3)
- 6 cans (14.5oz each) diced tomatoes (1, 3) (I bought a pack of 8 cans)
- 3 packages Seeds of Change quinoa and brown rice (can substitute ¼ cup dry wild rice) (3) (I bought a box with 6 packages and saved the extras)
- 3 jars (32oz each) pasta sauce (I bought a three-pack of Classico Tomato & Basil Pasta Sauce) (4)

### **Spices and Seasonings**

- 12 tablespoons chili powder (1, 3)
- 3 tablespoons paprika (1)
- 5 tablespoons cumin (1, 3)
- 1 tablespoon plus 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder (1, 3)
- 2 tablespoons onion powder (1, 3)
- 1 tablespoon crushed red pepper flakes (1)
- 1 tablespoon plus 1 1/2 teaspoon salt (1, 3)
- 11/2 teaspoons oregano (3)
- 3/4 teaspoon pepper (3)

### **Materials**

• 12 gallon-sized freezer bags (1-4)

### Not Needed Until Day of Cooking

- 3 cups water or beef broth for IP preparation (1)
- 96oz (12 cups) chicken broth (3)
- 24oz (about 6 cups) shredded mozzarella cheese (4)

### **Suggested Side Dishes**

- 1. <u>Tex Mex Beef and Cabbage</u> rice, shredded cheddar cheese, and sour cream
- 2. Sweet and Sour BBQ Chicken rice
- 3. <u>Southwest Rice and Bean Soup</u> chips, shredded cheese, and guacamole
- 4. <u>Sausage-Stuffed Mini Sweet Peppers</u> spaghetti or zucchini "noodles"



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### **CROCKPOT OR INSTANT POT**SWEET AND SOUR BBQ CHICKEN

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SOUTHWEST RICE & BEAN SOUP **GROCKPOT OR INSTANT PO** 

cumin, oregano, salt, pepper onion powder, garlic powder Quinoa and brown rice mix ADD: 4 cups chicken broth Seasonings: chili powder, Diced tomatoes Bell peppers Black beans Corn

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5 min. Flip over. Add 4 cups Instant Pot: Thaw enough to fit in Instant Pot. Saute minutes. Natural release broth. Pressure cook 15



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Oven: Add to 9x13" pan. Cover with foil and bake for 90 min @ 400. Stir. Add cheese and bake uncovered for additional 10 minutes.

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