Red-Grapefruit Risotto with Red Onions and Thyme

(Martha Stewart: http://www.marthastewart.com/314897/redgrapefruit-risotto) Serves 4

3 medium red onions Vegetable oil cooking spray 1/8-teaspoon coarse salt Freshly ground pepper 1 red grapefruit 1-quart homemade or low-sodium store-bough chicken stock 1-tablespoon olive oil 1 ½ cups Arborio rice 1/2 cup dry white wine 1 teaspoon unsalted butter



1 tablespoon chopped fresh thyme, plus 4 sprigs for garnish

1/2 cup finely grated Parmesan chees (1 Ounce)

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- 1. Heat serving plates and dinner plates.
- 2. Cut 2 onions crosswise into 1/2 inch thick slices. Coat a medium nonstick skillet with cooking spray; place over medium heat. Place onion slices in skillet in a dingle layer; sprinkle with the salt, and season with pepper. Cook, without turning, until undersides are deep golden brown, about 3 minutes. Turn, and cook until soft, about 4 minutes more. Reserve in skillet with heat off.
- Bring a small pot of water to a boil. Meanwhile, finely zest half of the grapefruit. Add zest to pot, and boil 3 minutes. Remove zest with a fine sieve, and set aside. Zest remaining half of grapefruit into long strips; cover strips with a damp pepper towel, and set aside for garnish.
- 4. Cut pith from grapefruit; discard. Working over a bowl to catch any juices, cut segments from membranes, letting them fall into bowl. Squeeze the remaining juice from membranes into bow.
- 5. Bring $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups water, the stock, and $\frac{1}{4}$ grapefruit juice from bowl to a bare simmer in a medium saucepan over medium heat.
- 6. Meanwhile, finely chop remaining onion. Heat oil in a large (6-quart) heavy bottom pot over medium heat until hot but not smoking. Add chopper onion; cook, stirring occasionally, until soft and golden brown, 4 to 5 minutes. Add rice; stir until coated with oil, 1 to 2 minutes. Add wine; stir until completely absorbed.
- 7. Stirring constantly, add simmering stock, ½ cup at a time, letting rice absorb each addition before adding the next. Stir until all stock has been absorbed and rice is creamy but al dente, about 20 minutes. Stir in grapefruit segments and reserved zest (excluding garnish); cook 3 minutes more. Season with pepper. Stir in chopped thyme, butter, and cheese.
- 8. Meanwhile, reheat the reserved onions over medium-low heat. Divide risotto among four bowls. Garnish each serving with onions, the reserved zest, and a sprig of thyme.