Falafel Poppers with Sriracha Aioli

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1 can (15.5 ounce) garbanzo beans 1 cup frozen sweet peas. thawed 1 small onion, chopped 2 cloves garlic, chopped 3 tablespoons cilantro 1 teaspoon ground cumin 2 tablespoons cornstarch 1 teaspoon baking soda 1 large egg 1/4 teaspoon lime juice 1/2 cup quick oats 3/4 teaspoon salt 4 cups vegetable oil SRIRACHA AIOLI 1/2 cup mayonnaise 2 teaspoons sriracha sauce 1/4 teaspoon lemon juice 2 tablespoons sour cream

Make the Sriracha Aioli: In a small bowl, combine the mayonnaise, sriracha sauce, lemon juice and sour cream. Mix well.

Drain and dry the garbanzo beans well with a paper towel.

In a food processor, combine the peas, onion, garlic, cilantro and cumin. Add the garbanzo beans. Place the mixture in a medium bowl. Stir in the cornstarch, baking soda, egg, lime juice, oats and salt. Allow the mixture to rest for 10 minutes.

In a medium pan over medium-high heat, bring the oil to 350 degrees. Scoop one tablespoon of the mixture. Gently place in the oil. Fry five falafel balls for 3 minutes per side. Drain on a paper towel. Repeat for the remaining balls.

Serve the balls with the Sriracha Aioli on the side.

Per Serving (excluding unknown items): 9495 Calories; 989g Fat (91.6% calories from fat); 50g Protein; 153g Carbohydrate; 38g Dietary Fiber; 263mg Cholesterol; 3636mg Sodium. Exchanges: 9 Grain(Starch); 3 Lean Meat; 2 Vegetable; 0 Fruit; 0 Non-Fat Milk; 185 Fat.