

Homemade Pasta

Yield: 4-6 Time: 45 minutes

INGREDIENTS

- 2 1/3 cups all-purpose flour or 2 cups whole wheat flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1/3 cup water
- 1 teaspoon vegetable or olive oil

DIRECTIONS

- 1. In a large bowl or stand mixer, stir together 2 cups flour (1 3/4 cup if using whole wheat flour) and salt.
- 2. Make a well in the center of the flour mixture.
- 3. In a small bowl, combine the remaining ingredients.
- 4. Add egg, water and oil all at once. Stir to combine.
- 5. Knead the dough by hand or in the stand mixer for 8 to 10 minutes until smooth and elastic, combining the remaining 1/3 cup flour (or 1/4 cup whole wheat flour) while kneading.
- 6. Cover and let rest 10 minutes.
- 7. Divide dough into four portions.
- 8. Use a rolling pin or dough roller to roll dough to about 1/16" thick.
- 9. Lightly dust with flour and cut as desired.
- 10. To serve pasta immediately, cook in a large amount of boiling salted water until al dente. Stir occasionally; drain.
- 11. Cook fettuccine or linguine 1 1/2 2 minutes, bow ties or lasagna noodles 2-3 minutes and ravioli or tortellini 7 9 minutes.
- 12. To store pasta, spread it on a wire rack or hang it from a pasta-drying rack. Let dry up to 2 hours. Place in an airtight container and store in the refrigerator up to 3 days, or dry pasta at least 1 hour; place in a freezer bag or container and freeze up to 8 months.

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Cheese Ravioli

Yield: 4-6 Time: 45min - 1 hour

INGREDIENTS

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For cheese filling:

- 1/2 cup toasted pine nuts
- 1/2 cup part-skim ricotta cheese
- 2 Tablespoons grated or finely shredded Asiago cheese
- 1 Tablespoon olive oil
- 1/2 teaspoon crushed dried basil
- 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano.

DIRECTIONS

- 1. In a food processor, combine cheese filling ingredients and process until smooth.
- 2. To make ravioli, roll out dough to about 1/16" thick and cut into 2" wide strips.
- 3. Drop about 1 teaspoon of desired filling at 1" intervals on one strip of dough.
- 4. Brush dough with water around the filling.
- 5. Lay a second strip of dough over the first. Use fingers to press the dough around each mound of filling.
- 6. Cut dough between filling to make individual ravioli. Repeat with the remaining dough and filling. Let stand about 10 minutes before cooking.
- 7. Bring a large pot of salted boiling water to a boil. Gently drip 12 to 15 ravioli , one at a time, into the boiling water and stir to prevent from sticking.
- 8. Simmer gently for 7 to 9 minutes or until tender. Using a slotted spoon, transfer ravioli to a serving dish.

To us a ravioli frame:

- 1. Cut a sheet of rolled dough so it is a little longer and wider that the frame.
- 2. Place dough over floured frame, making sure it completely covers frame.
- 3. Press dough onto the frame with fingers.
- 4. Fill each hallow with 1 teaspoon of filling.
- 5. Moisten with water in between each ravioli square.
- 6. Lay second strip of dough over the first..
- 7. Using a rolling pin, roll over top of dough, pressing firmly to seal and score ravioli.
- 8. Cut apart ravioli.

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Chicken Alfredo

Yield: 6-8 Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

INGREDIENTS

- 1/2 cup butter
- 8 oz. cream cheese
- 2 tsp. garlic powder
- 2 cups milk
- 1 cup fresh shredded parmesan cheese
- salt and pepper to taste

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Melt butter in medium-sized saucepan over medium heat. Add cream cheese and garlic powder, stirring until smooth.
- 2. Add milk slowly, stirring constantly.
- 3. Sir in parmesan cheese and salt and pepper. When sauce is desired consistency remove from heat. If sauce becomes too thick, add more milk to reach desired consistency.
- 4. Serve over fettuccine or linguini noodles and grilled chicken or chicken recipe below.

Chicken:

- 2 -2 1/2 lbs. chicken tenders
- salt and pepper
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 3 large eggs
- 1 1/2 cups panko or regular bread crumbs
- 1 1/2 cups grated parmesan cheese
- 1/2 cup olive oil, or as needed
- 4 tablespoons salted butter, or as needed
- 1. Preheat oven to 200 degrees.
- 2. Lightly season chicken tenders with salt and pepper.
- 3. In large shallow dish, whisk together flour, 1 teaspoon salt and 1 teaspoon pepper. In another large, shallow dish, beat the eggs. In a third large, shallow dish, whisk together the panko and Parmesan.
- 4. Working one piece at a time, dredge chicken in flour, then coat wih egg. Then dredge in the panko/parmesan mixture. Set on large baking sheet and repeat with all chicken tenders.
- 5. Heat olive oil and 2 tablespoons butter over medium heat.
- 6. Place chicken in oil and fry on each side until golden brown.
- 7. Place on sheet pan with wire rack to keep warm in oven (if desired).

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Bolognese Sauce

Yield: 10-12 Time: 1 hour

INGREDIENTS

- 1 lb. mild Italian sausage
- 1 lb. ground beef
- 1 medium onion
- 1 carrot
- 1 rib celery
- 6-8 cloves garlic
- 1/2 1 teaspoon red pepper flakes
- 1 (28 oz.) can crushed tomatoes
- 1 (15 oz.) can tomato sauce
- 2 Tablespoons tomato paste
- 1 teaspoon balsamic vinegar
- 1/4 cup water
- 1 Tablespoon dried parsley
- 2 teaspoons chicken bouillon
- 1 1/2 teaspoons dried oregano
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1 bay leaf
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh basil or 1 Tablespoon dried
- 1/4 cup cream
- freshly grated parmesan

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Roughly chop onion, celery and carrot.
- 2. Place in food processor and pulse until finely chopped (or chop by hand).
- 3. In a Dutch oven, brown ground beef, sausage and onion, celery and carrots over medium heat. Add garlic and red pepper flakes and cook for 30 seconds more.
- 4. Drain grease.
- 5. Add remaining sauce ingredients except for fresh basil (if using dried basil, add now and cream
- 6. Bring to a simmer and simmer uncovered over low heat for 30-45 minutes, stirring occasionally until reduced and thickened to desired consistency.
- 7. Stir more often towards the end of cooking to prevent burning.
- 8. Stir in cream, and fresh basil and cook an additional 3 minutes.
- 9. Serve with fresh pasta and freshly grated parmesan cheese.

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