



# **Cheesy Taco Pasta**

with Green Peppers and Corn



20-30min 2 Servings



This dish is the perfect cross-cultural mash-up of two favorites-nachos and baked ziti. The pasta is coated in a cheesy, creamy tomato sauce, then mixed with nacho classics: black beans, corn, and bell peppers. The whole delicious mess is topped with more cheese, fresh red onion, and crispy fried corn tortilla strips. The best part? There will be plenty of leftovers! Cook, relax, and enjoy! ...

#### What we send

- red onion
- tomato paste
- 6-inch corn tortillas
- · green bell pepper
- black beans
- · taco seasoning
- frozen corn

### What you need

- coarse salt
- freshly ground pepper

#### Tools

- colander
- · fine-mesh sieve
- large pot
- large skillet

Read through the whole recipe before you start. Rinse and dry all produce before using. Weights may vary slightly.

For recipes containing garlic, you'll find one head of garlic in your box.

We recommend you use coarse kosher salt stored in a container that allows you to grab it with your fingertips, or scoop with measuring spoon.

#### **Allergens**

May contain traces of allergenic ingredients. Packaged in a facility that packages gluten containing products.

#### Nutrition per serving

Calories 783.0kcal, Fat 33.1g, Proteins 29.6g, Carbs 94.6g



## 1. Prep ingredients

Bring a large pot of **salted water** to a boil. Trim ends from **onion**, then halve, peel, and finely chop. Cut **bell pepper** in half, remove stem and seeds, then cut into ½-inch pieces. Drain and rinse **black beans**.



2. Fry tortillas

Cut **tortillas** in half; stack halves and cut crosswise into thin strips. In a large skillet, heat **¼-inch oil** over mediumhigh. Add **tortilla strips** and cook, stirring, until golden and crisp, 3-4 minutes. Using a slotted spoon, transfer to a paper towel-lined plate to drain. Sprinkle with a **generous pinch each taco seasoning** and **salt**.



3. Make sauce

Pour off all but 2 tablespoons oil from skillet. Add bell pepper and ¾ of onion and cook, stirring until softened, about 6 minutes. Stir in remaining taco seasoning and cook 1 minute. Stir in 3 tablespoons tomato paste and cook 1 minute. Add 1¼ cups water and beans; season with salt and pepper. Simmer until slightly reduced, about 8 minutes.



4. Cook pasta

Add **pasta** to boiling water and cook, stirring until al dente, about 8 minutes. Reserve ½ **cup cooking water**, then drain pasta. Add pasta to sauce along with **corn** and **reserved pasta water**. Cook, stirring until **sauce** is thick and clings to pasta, 3-4 minutes.



5. Cube cheese

Meanwhile, cut **cheddar** into very small cubes.



6. Finish & serve

Stir **% of the cheese** into **pasta** until melted, and serve in bowls topped with **tortilla strips**, **remaining onion**, and **cheese**. Enjoy!