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# Sausage & Zucchini Pasta

with Roasted Red Pepper Pesto





20-30min 2 Servings

This dish has lots going for it: savory bites of sweet Italian sausage, seasonal zucchini, and nutty Parmesan. But, the roasted red pepper pesto-which includes almonds, garlic, and parsley-comes together in no time to add a certain 'It factor' that makes this weeknight pasta dish something special. A splash of vinegar stirred in at the end really makes the sauce pop. Cook, relax, and enjoy!

#### What we send

- · roasted red pepper
- zucchini
- garlic
- fresh parsley
- sweet Italian sausage links

### What you need

- kosher salt & ground pepper
- olive oil
- red wine vinegar

#### **Tools**

- colander
- large saucepan
- · medium skillet

#### **Allergens**

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

#### **Nutrition per serving**

Calories 850kcal, Fat 51g, Carbs 51g, Proteins 47g



## 1. Prep ingredients

Bring a medium pot of **salted water** to a boil. Trim ends from **zucchini**, halve lengthwise, then thinly slice crosswise into ¼-inch thick half moons. Finely grate **Parmesan**. Pat **peppers** dry, then finely chop. Finely chop **almonds**. Chop **parsley stems and leaves** together. Peel and finely chop **2 garlic cloves**.



2. Cook sausage

Make a slit down the length of each sausage to remove meat from casing. Heat 2 teaspoons oil in a medium skillet over medium-high. Add sausage and cook, breaking up any large pieces, until browned, 3-5 minutes. Transfer sausage to a bowl using a slotted spoon, leaving any fat in skillet.



3. Cook zucchini

Add zucchini, 2 teaspoons oil, and ½ teaspoon salt to skillet over medium-high heat. Cook, stirring occasionally, until zucchini is tender and browned in spots, about 5 minutes. Stir in ¾ of the garlic and cook until fragrant, about 1 minute. Add 2 tablespoons water to skillet and scrape up any browned bits. Remove from heat and set aside until step 6.



4. Cook pasta

Meanwhile, add **pasta** to boiling water and cook until al dente, 6-10 minutes. Reserve **¼ cup pasta water** then drain pasta. Reserve pot for step 6.



5. Make pesto

While pasta cooks, combine **roasted peppers**, **almonds**, **parsley**, and **remaining garlic** on a cutting board and finely chop until it forms a coarse paste. Season to taste with **salt**.



6. Finish & serve

Return same pot to medium heat, add sausage, zucchini, pesto, 1 tablespoon vinegar, 3/4 of the Parmesan, 2 tablespoons oil, and reserved pasta water. Cook, stirring, until sauce is glossy, about 2 minutes. Remove from heat; gently fold in pasta. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Serve pasta topped with remaining Parmesan and a drizzle of olive...