# DINNERLY



## **Greek Meatballs**

with Tomatoes & Orzo



This dish will have you declaring, "Get me to the Greek!" It's like spaghetti and meatballs but instead of long noodles, you have a small rice-shaped pasta called orzo. It's a fun and easy way to break out of your pasta rut—orzo they say (sorry). And the best part: orzo is quick cooking so you can get dinner on the table pronto. We've got you covered!

#### WHAT WE SEND

- scallions
- ground beef
- dried oregano
- canned whole-peeled tomatoes
- garlic
- Pasta, orzo

#### WHAT YOU NEED

- kosher salt & ground pepper
- olive oil
- sugar

#### TOOLS

- colander
- skillet
- saucepan

#### ALLERGENS

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

#### NUTRITION PER SERVING

Calories 600kcal, Fat 30g, Carbs 44g, Proteins 38g



### 1. Prep ingredients

Bring a medium saucepan of **salted water** to a boil. Meanwhile, peel and finely chop **1½ tablespoons garlic**. Cut **tomatoes** in the cans using kitchen shears until finely chopped. Trim ends from scallions, then thinly slice on an angle, keeping dark greens separate. Finely chop **half of the scallion whites**.



2. Cook orzo & mix meatballs

Add orzo to boiling water and cook until al dente, 8–9 minutes. Reserve ¼ cup pasta water, drain, and return to saucepan off heat and toss with 2 teaspoons oil. In a large bowl, combine beef, 2 large eggs, ½ tablespoon of chopped garlic, chopped scallion whites, 1 teaspoon of the dried oregano, 1½ teaspoons salt, and several grinds of pepper.



3. Cook Greek meatballs

Shape **beef mixture** into 12 meatballs. Heat **2 tablespoons oil** in a large skillet over medium-high. Cook meatballs, in batches if necessary, turning occasionally, until browned all over, 3–4 minutes (they will not be cooked through). Transfer to a plate and set aside; reserve **all but 2 tablespoons of the oil** in skillet.



#### 4. Make tomato sauce

Heat same skillet with oil over mediumhigh. Cook **remaining scallion whites and chopped garlic** until fragrant, about 1 minute. Add **tomatoes**, **reserved pasta water**, **2 teaspoons of the dried oregano**, and **¼ teaspoon sugar**. Bring to a boil; season to taste with **salt** and **pepper**.



5. Finish & serve

Add meatballs to skillet with tomato sauce. Reduce heat to medium, then simmer until sauce slightly reduces and meatballs are cooked through, 3–4 minutes. Stir half of the scallion greens into the cooked orzo. Serve orzo topped with Greek meatballs, tomato sauce, and remaining scallion greens. Enjoy!



6. Spice it up!

Stir some red chile flakes into the pasta sauce for a touch of heat.