

SPICY PORCINI Mushroom Pasta

INGREDIENTS

1 small package dried porcini mushrooms (1 oz)

1/2 cup boiling water

1/3 cup olive oil

2 cloves of garlic, finely chopped

1 pinch of dried hot chili pepper flakes

½ pint of white mushrooms, quartered

1/4 teaspoon dried sage or 2 fresh leaves, chopped

½ cup mini boconcini mozzarella cheese

1/3 cup fresh parsley, chopped

½ Ib of any dried pasta, (preferably short pasta)



PREPARATION

- 1 Rehydrate the porcini mushrooms with ½ cup boiling water.
- 2 Bring 3 quarts of water to boil for the pasta.
- Meanwhile prepare the sauce by heating the oil over medium heat in a large pan. The pan needs to be large enough to hold the noodles once cooked.
- 4 Add the garlic and hot pepper flakes, cooking them until garlic turns golden.
- 5 Add the white mushrooms, raise the temperature to mediumhigh and continue to cook.
- 6 Cook pasta in boiling water according to package directions.
- 7 Squeeze the liquid from the porcini, reserving it for the sauce. Chop the porcini and add to the pan.
- Pour the soaking liquid through a fine sieve into the pan.
- Add sage and cook for 5 minutes.
- Drain the pasta (DO NOT RINSE) and toss into the pan with the mushroom sauce while hot. Add boconcini cheese, parsley and serve.

SUGGESTION

✓ Make ahead of time or freeze in portions. Recipe can easily be doubled. Leftovers freeze well. Defrost in fridge overnight, heat adding 2 tablespoons of water and serve.

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