Fresh Basil Fettuccine

with Sautéed Cherry Tomatoes & Zucchini

This quick-cooking pasta dish is an effortless option for warm summer nights. Sautéed together, seasonal zucchini and plump, flavorful cherry tomatoes are a winning combination for our fresh fettuccine noodles, which are infused with the herbal sweetness of basil. A touch of butter and Parmesan are all that's needed to elevate this dish to simple perfection.







Ingredients

- ½ Pound Fresh Basil Fettuccine Pasta
- 6 Ounces Cherry Tomatoes
- 3 Cloves Garlic
- 1 Zucchini

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- 2 Tablespoons Butter
- 1/4 Cup Grated Parmesan Cheese
- 1/4 Teaspoon Crushed Red Pepper Flakes

Makes: 2 servings | Calories: about 605 per serving Prep Time: 10 minutes | Cook Time: 15–25 minutes



Prepare the ingredients:

Wash and dry the fresh produce. Heat a medium pot of salted water to boiling on high. Quarter the zucchini lengthwise; thinly slice crosswise. Peel and mince the garlic. Halve the tomatoes.



Cook the zucchini & aromatics:

In a large high-sided pan (or pot), heat 2 teaspoons of olive oil on medium-high until hot. Add the **zucchini**, **garlic** and **as much of the red pepper flakes as you'd like**, depending on how spicy you'd like the dish to be. Season with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring occasionally, 2 to 3 minutes, or until slightly softened.



Add the tomatoes:

Add the **tomatoes** to the pan of zucchini and aromatics; season with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring occasionally, 2 to 3 minutes, or until the tomatoes are slightly softened.



Cook the pasta:

Using your hands, carefully separate the strands of **pasta**. Add the pasta to the pot of boiling water and cook 2 to 3 minutes, or until al dente (still slightly firm to the bite). Reserving ½ **cup of the pasta cooking water**, drain thoroughly.



Finish the pasta:

To the pan of cooked vegetables, add the **cooked pasta**, **butter** and **half the reserved pasta cooking water**; season with salt and pepper. Cook on medium-high, stirring vigorously to coat the pasta, 1 to 2 minutes, or until the pasta is thoroughly combined. (If the pasta seems dry, gradually add the remaining pasta cooking water to achieve your desired consistency.) Season with salt and pepper to taste.



Plate your dish:

Divide the **finished pasta** between 2 dishes; top with a drizzle of olive oil. Garnish with the **cheese**. Enjoy!