



Ingredients

- 34 Pound Fresh Linguine Pasta
- ½ Pound Fresh Mozzarella Cheese
- 4 Ounces Arugula
- 3 Cloves Garlic
- 2 Heirloom Tomatoes
- 1 Lemon
- 1 Large Bunch Basil

Knick Knacks

- 4 Tablespoons Butter
- 2 Tablespoons Tomato Paste
- ½ Teaspoon Whole Dried Oregano
- 1/3 Cup Shaved Parmesan Cheese

Makes: 4 servings | Calories: about 695 per serving Prep Time: 10 minutes | Cook Time: 15–25 minutes





Prepare the ingredients:

Wash and dry the fresh produce. Heat a large pot of salted water to boiling on high. Peel and finely chop the garlic. Quarter and deseed the lemon. Halve the mozzarella cheese, then cut each half into ½-inch-thick pieces. Core and medium dice the tomatoes; place in a bowl and season with salt. Pick the basil leaves off the stems; discard the stems.



Make the sauce:

While the mozzarella marinates, in a large pan (nonstick, if you have one), heat 2 teaspoons of olive oil on medium-high until hot. Add the **remaining garlic**; season with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring frequently, 30 seconds to 1 minute, or until fragrant. Add the **tomato paste**; cook, stirring frequently, 30 seconds to 1 minute, or until dark red. Add the **tomatoes** and ½ **cup of water**; season with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring occasionally, 10 to 12 minutes, or until the tomatoes have softened and the mixture is thickened and saucy. Remove from heat; season with salt and pepper to taste.



Finish the pasta:

Add the sauce, butter and half the reserved pasta cooking water to the pot of cooked pasta; season with salt and pepper. Cook on medium, stirring vigorously, 1 to 2 minutes, or until thoroughly combined and heated through. (If the sauce seems dry, gradually add the remaining pasta cooking water to achieve your desired consistency.) Turn off the heat and stir in half the basil (tearing just before adding). Season with salt and pepper to taste.



Make the dressing & marinate the mozzarella:

In a medium bowl, combine the **dried oregano**, **half the garlic** and **the juice of 2 lemon wedges**. Slowly whisk in **2 tablespoons of olive oil** until well combined; season with salt and pepper to taste. Transfer the **mozzarella cheese** to a serving dish; season with salt and pepper. Reserving 1 tablespoon of dressing, drizzle the mozzarella cheese with as much of the dressing as you'd like. Set aside to marinate for at least 10 minutes.



Cook the pasta:

Once the sauce has cooked for 4 to 5 minutes, using your hands, carefully separate the strands of the **pasta**; add to the pot of boiling water. Cook 2 to 3 minutes, or until just shy of al dente (still slightly firm to the bite). Turn off the heat. Reserving ½ **cup of the pasta cooking water**, drain thoroughly and return to the pot.



Dress the arugula & serve your dish:

Just before serving, in a large bowl, combine the **arugula**, **reserved dressing** and **the juice of the remaining lemon wedges**; season with salt and pepper. Drizzle with olive oil and toss to coat; season with salt and pepper to taste. Transfer the dressed arugula to the serving dish of **marinated mozzarella**. Divide the **finished pasta** between 4 dishes. Garnish with the **Parmesan cheese** and **remaining basil**. Enjoy!