

Beefy Skillet Pasta with Italian-Dressed Salad

Family Friendly 35 Minutes



HELLO BASIL Herbaceous and slightly sweet!

Start here

- Before starting, preheat the broiler to high.
- Wash and dry all produce.

Bust out

Large oven-proof pan, colander, measuring spoons, large bowl, measuring cups, whisk, large pot

Ingredients

	2 Person	4 Person
Ground Beef	250 g	500 g
Rigatoni	170 g	340 g
Crushed Tomatoes	370 ml	740 ml
Ricotta Cheese	100 g	200 g
Mozzarella Cheese, shredded	¾ cup	1 ½ cups
Italian Seasoning	1 tbsp	2 tbsp
Baby Spinach	56 g	113 g
Garlic Puree	1 tbsp	2 tbsp
Red Onion, chopped	56 g	113 g
Balsamic Vinegar	2 tbsp	4 tbsp
Basil	7 g	7 g
Mini Cucumber	66 g	132 g
Carrot, julienned	56 g	113 g
Sugar*	½ tsp	1 tsp
Butter*	2 tbsp	4 tbsp
Oil*		

Salt and Pepper*

* Pantry items ** Cook to a minimum internal temperature of 74°C/165°F.

Allergens

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Ingredients are packaged in a facility that also handles egg, fish, crustacean, shellfish, milk, mustard, peanuts, sesame, soy, sulphites, tree nuts and wheat.

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Prep

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Add **10 ½ cups water** and **2 tsp salt** to a large pot (use same for 4 ppl). Cover and bring to a boil over high heat. While **water** comes to a boil, slice **cucumber** into ¼-inch rounds. Whisk together **half the vinegar**, **1 tsp Italian Seasoning**, **2 tbsp oil** and ¼ **tsp sugar** in a large bowl (dbl all for 4 ppl). Set aside.



Start sauce

Heat a large oven-proof pan over mediumhigh heat. When hot, add ½ **tbsp oil** (dbl for 4 ppl), then **beef**, **onions** and **half the carrots**. Cook, breaking up **beef** into smaller pieces, until no pink remains, 4-5 min.** Carefully drain and discard excess fat.



Cook rigatoni

While **beef** cooks, add **rigatoni** to the **boiling water**. Cook, stirring occasionally, until tender, 10-12 min. Reserve ¼ **cup pasta water** (dbl for 4 ppl), then drain.



Finish sauce

Add **remaining Italian Seasoning**, **remaining vinegar**, **garlic puree**, **crushed tomatoes**, ¹/₄ **tsp sugar** and **2 tbsp butter** (dbl both for 4 ppl) to the pan with **beef**. Season with **salt** and **pepper**. Bring to a boil. Once boiling, reduce heat to medium. Simmer, stirring occasionally, until **sauce** thickens, 4-5 min.



Assemble skillet

Remove the pan from heat, then add **rigatoni** and **reserved pasta water**. Season with **salt** and **pepper**. Stir to combine, then spread **pasta mixture** into an even layer. Dollop **ricotta** over top of **pasta mixture**, then sprinkle with **mozzarella**. (NOTE: If you don't have an oven-proof pan, transfer mixture to a 9x13-inch baking dish before assembling and broiling.) Broil in the **middle** of the oven until **cheese** is melted and golden-brown, 2-3 min.



Finish and serve

Add **spinach**, **cucumbers** and **remaining carrots** to the large bowl with **dressing**. Season with **salt** and **pepper**, then toss to combine. Divide **skillet pasta** and **salad** between plates. Tear **basil** over **pasta**.

Dinner Solved!