



Chickpea casarecce with chicken, zucchini, cherry tomatoes and basil

Yield: 10 servings

Ingredients:

2 1/4 Box Barilla® chickpea casarecce
12 Oz chicken thigh
5 Tbsp extra virgin olive oil, divided
3/4 Cup yellow onion, chopped
1 Tsp red pepper flakes
2 Cups zucchini, small dice
2 Pints cherry tomatoes, halved
10 Basil leaves, sliced thin
¾ Cup parmigiano cheese, grated
Salt & black pepper to taste

Directions:

- 1. Bring a pot of water to a boil and cook pasta according to package directions, reserving 1 cup of pasta cooking water.
- 2. Meanwhile, in a skillet over med/high heat, add half of the oil and the chicken. Season with salt, black pepper and red pepper flakes.
- 3. Cook chicken until fully cooked and brown. Remove from the pan and set aside.
- 4. In the same pan, add remaining oil and onion. Cook until translucent, about 2 minutes.
- 5. Add the zucchini and tomatoes, cooking for an additional 2 minutes. Add half of the pasta cooking water to the sauce.
- 6. Slice chicken and return to the saucepan and combine. Add additional cooking water if needed.
- 7. Remove from the fire. Fold in cheese and basil before serving.

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