

ZOODLES WITH CASHEW ALFREDO

Makes 2 Servings

INGREDIENTS

- 1 head garlic
- 1 tsp olive oil
- 1 cup raw cashews
- 3 cups water
- 1 tsp sea salt
- 2 Tbsp pepperoncini juice
- 1 Tbsp plant-based butter
- 2 cups mushrooms, sliced
- 1 cup sweet peppers, thinly sliced
- 4 cups spiralized zucchini

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Preheat the oven to 400°F. Line a small baking sheet or dish with foil.
- 2. Remove loose skins from the garlic head. Cut about ½-inch off of the top. Drizzle with olive oil, rubbing oil into the cut edges so it is well coated.
- 3. Place garlic on the prepared baking sheet, and cover tightly with foil. Bake 30-40 minutes until the cloves are soft and caramelized. Remove from skins with a fork or sharp knife. Set aside.
- 4. Bring cashews to a boil with 3 cups of water in a small saucepan. Boil for 10 minutes. Remove from heat and drain, reserving liquid.
- 5. Place softened cashews, roasted garlic, sea salt, pepperoncini juice, and $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of the cashew liquid into a blender.
- 6. Blend until completely smooth. Add more cashew liquid until desired consistency is reached. We found that 1 ½ cups of liquid was perfect for pasta or pizza sauce.
- 7. Taste sauce, and adjust seasonings if desired.
- 8. In a large skillet, melt butter over medium heat. Saute mushrooms until softened and cooked through, about 5-7 minutes. Add peppers and zucchini noodles, cook and stir until softened and heated through, about 5 minutes. Drain water from the skillet, if necessary.
- Toss with 1 cup of the cashew Alfredo sauce, add salt and pepper to taste.