

## Spaghetti

a white, starchy pasta of Italian origin that is made in the form of long strings, boiled, and served with any of a variety of meat, tomato, or other sauces.

## Recipes

- 1 pound lean ground meat like beef, turkey, chicken or lamb
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 cup (130 grams) chopped onion
- 3 garlic cloves, minced (1 tablespoon)
- 2 tablespoons tomato paste
- 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano
- Pinch crushed red pepper flakes
- 1 cup water, broth or dry red wine
- 1 (28-ounce) can crushed tomatoes
- Salt and fresh ground black pepper
- Handful fresh basil leaves, plus more for serving
- 12 ounces dried spaghetti or favorite pasta shape
- 1/2 cup shredded parmesan cheese

## Steps:

- 1. Heat the oil in a large pot over medium-high heat. Add the meat and cook until browned, about 8 minutes.
- 2. Add the onions and cook, stirring every once and a while, until softened, about 5 minutes. then Stir in the garlic, tomato paste, oregano, and red pepper flakes and cook, stirring continuously for about 1 minute.
- 3. Stir in the tomatoes, 3/4 teaspoon of salt, and a generous pinch of black pepper. Bring the sauce to a low simmer. Cook, uncovered, at a low simmer for 25 minutes.
- 4. About 15 minutes before the sauce finishes cooking, bring a large pot of salted water to the boil, and then cook pasta according to package directions,
- 5. Take the sauce off of the heat, and then stir in the basil. Toss in the cooked pasta. serve with parmesan sprinkled on top.