## Tortellini Soup with Italian Sausage and Kale

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## Ingredients

- 1 lb mild Italian sausage, ground
- 1 onion, minced
- 6 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 quart chicken stock
- 1 (14 oz can) crushed tomatoes
- 2 tbsp tomato paste
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 bunch kale, stems removed
- 1 (10 oz) bag tortellini, fresh (not dried)
- 1 cup heavy cream

Parmesan cheese (optional)

1/4 tsp red pepper flakes (optional)

## **Process**

Heat a large soup pot over medium-high heat.

Add the sausage, onions and garlic to the pot and and sauté until the onions are soft and translucent, about 5 minutes. (Drain off any excessive fat.)

Add the chicken stock, crushed tomatoes and tomato paste. Whisk until tomato paste is fully incorporated.

Bring to a boil, season with salt then simmer for 15 minutes.

Add the kale, tortellini and heavy cream.

Simmer for 3-5 minutes until the kale is wilted and the pasta is tender.

Serve with parmesan cheese and red pepper flakes if desired.