

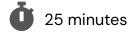




Summer Beef Rigatoni

with Lemon Ricotta

A light and vibrant beef and cherry tomato sauce, tossed through rigatoni pasta, served with zesty lemon ricotta and fresh watercress.





4 servings



For extra flavour add grated parmesan cheese and a pinch of dried chilli flakes to the ricotta. You can also garnish the finished dish with fresh basil, oregano or parsley.

FROM YOUR BOX

RIGATONI PASTA	1 packet
BEEF MINCE	600g
BROWN ONION	1
GARLIC CLOVES	2
TOMATO PASTE	1 sachet
CHERRY TOMATOES	400g
LEMON	1
RICOTTA	1 tub
WATERCRESS	1 sleeve

FROM YOUR PANTRY

oil for cooking, salt, pepper, fennel seeds

KEY UTENSILS

large frypan, saucepan

NOTES

Substitute fennel seeds with dried oregano, dried rosemary or dried thyme.

Halve any large cherry tomatoes if desired.

No gluten option - pasta is replaced with GF pasta.





1. COOK THE PASTA

Bring a saucepan of water to a boil. Add pasta and cook according to packet instructions or until al dente. Reserve 1 cup cooking liquid and drain pasta.



2. BROWN THE MINCE

Heat a large frypan over medium-high heat. Add **mince** and **3 tsp fennel seeds** (see notes). Break up any lumps with a wooden spoon. Cook for 5 minutes until mince begins to brown.



3. SIMMER THE SAUCE

Slice **onion** and crush **garlic**. Add to pan as you go along with **tomato paste** and **cherry tomatoes** (see notes). Sauté for 5 minutes until onion begins to soften. Add **1/2 cup water** and simmer, semi-covered, for 5 minutes.



4. PREPARE THE TOPPINGS

Zest **lemon**. Add to a bowl along with **ricotta**. Season with **salt and pepper** and mix to combine.

Trim watercress and dress with juice from 1/2 lemon (wedge remaining), salt and pepper.



5. TOSS THE PASTA

Add pasta and 1/2 cup reserved cooking liquid to sauce. Toss to combine. Add extra cooking liquid as necessary to loosen sauce. Season to taste with salt and pepper.



6. FINISH AND SERVE

Divide pasta among shallow bowls. Spoon over ricotta. Serve with watercress and lemon wedges.

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