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Prep time 10 mins - Cooking time 15 mins - Serves 4

Ingredients

500g of cooked and peeled chestnuts 200g chopped streaky bacon 250g tubular spaghetti 1 tablespoon good quality olive oil

3 eggs

1 cup grated Parmesan cheese

1 tablespoon freshly cracked black pepper



Method

- 1. Begin cooking pasta to packet directions. When it is at all dente stage, reserve ¼ cup of the pasta cooking water and set aside. Drain pasta and return to pot, adding olive oil.
- 2. Sauté bacon in a frying pan on medium heat until crispy about five minutes. Add chestnuts to the bacon and continue stirring over medium heat.
- 3. In a separate bowl, combine eggs, Parmesan cheese and a generous pinch of cracked pepper.
- 4. Add the egg mixture to the cooked pasta and stir. Add cooking water and stir before returning to stove on medium heat.
- 5. Add half the chestnut and bacon mixture then stir to combine. Continue stirring gently until sauce has thickened and pasta is warmed through.
- 6. Serve pasta on plates, topped with reserved bacon and chestnuts. Sprinkle with more cracked pepper and additional grated Parmesan. Serve immediately.

