BEEF AND LENTIL SPAGHETTI BOLOGNESE

Serves 4 | Prep time: 15 mins Cook time: 25 mins

INGREDIENTS

300g dried spaghetti

- 2 tbsp extra virgin olive oil
- 1 brown onion, diced
- 2 garlic cloves, finely chopped
- 1 long red chilli, finely chopped (optional)
- 2 small carrots, coarsely grated
- 250g lean beef mince
- 700g passata
- 2 tbsp tomato paste
- 420g lentils, rinsed and drained
- 1 tbsp Worcestershire sauce
- 1 tsp Italian herbs
- Season to taste
- Grated parmesan cheese and chopped parsley to serve

METHOD

- 1. Cook pasta in a large pot of salted boiling water according to packet instructions.
- Heat oil in a large pan over medium-high heat. Add onion, garlic and chilli and cook for 3 minutes, stirring regularly.
- **3.** Add carrot and cook for a further 3 minutes or until soft.
- **4.** Add mince and cook for 4 minutes or until browned; break up any lumps with a wooden spoon.
- Stir in pasta sauce, tomato paste, lentils, Worcestershire sauce and herbs and bring to a boil.
- 6. Reduce heat to a gentle simmer and cook for 10 minutes or until the sauce thickens.
- 7. Stir in spaghetti and toss to combine.

Top with grated parmesan cheese and garnish with parsley. Serve with salad.





NUTRITION TIP

Lentils are a great way to beef up your bolognese. They are a valuable source of nutrients such as protein, iron and fibre. Lentils are nutritional dynamos!