SPAGHETTI WITH BEEF & BELL PEPPERS

Yield: 6-8 servings | Total Preparation Time: 30 minutes





Ingredients

- 8 ounce spaghetti or pasta of your choice (whole wheat preferred)
- 1 pound lean ground beef
- 4 large bell peppers, thinly sliced
- 28 ounce cans pasta sauce
- 1/2 white onion, thinly sliced
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 3/4 cup Parmesan cheese
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/2 teaspoon Italian seasoning
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste

Instructions

- 1. Cook the pasta according to package instructions
- 2. Drain the pasta. Set pasta aside.
- In a large skillet, heat oil over medium-high heat. Add garlic and cook for 1 minute and then add ground beef. Use a wooden spoon to break apart meat and continue cooking approximately 8-10 minutes until browned.
- 4. Add salt, pepper and Italian seasoning. Stir until well incorporated.
- 5. Add onions and bell peppers and cook for 3-4 minutes.
- 6. Add pasta sauce and reduce heat.
- 7. Add additional salt and pepper if needed.
- 8. Serve over pasta. Top with Parmesan cheese and serve immediately.

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Red peppers tend to be the most nutrient packed since they have more time to grow on the vine. They contain almost 11 times more beta-carotene and 1.5 times more vitamin C than the green.

