

PENNE WITH PORK MEATBALLS

in a Creamy Mushroom Sauce



PREP: 5 MIN COOK: 35 MIN CALORIES: 1070

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CREAMY MUSHROOM SAUCE

Tender button mushrooms impart their earthy flavor to a savory cream sauce.

SPLISH SPLASH

Splash a little cold water on your hands before forming the meatballs in step 3. The heat in your hands is what causes the mixture to stick; cooling them down will make the pork hold on to itself rather than to you.

BUST OUT

- Large pot
- Strainer
- Medium bowl
- Large pan
- Kosher salt
- Black pepper
- Cooking oil (**1 TBSP** | **1 TBSP**)
- Butter (2 TBSP | 3 TBSP)
 Contains: Milk

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1 PREP

- Bring a large pot of **salted water** to a boil. **Wash and dry produce.**
- Trim and thinly slice **mushrooms** (skip if your mushrooms are presliced!). Trim and thinly slice scallions, separating whites from greens. Peel and mince or grate garlic.



2 COOK PASTA

- Once water is boiling, add **penne** to pot. Cook, stirring occasionally, until al dente, 9-11 minutes.
- Reserve 1/2 cup pasta cooking water, then drain.



3 FORM MEATBALLS

- While pasta cooks, in a medium bowl, combine pork*, panko, 1 tsp Italian Seasoning (2 tsp for 4 servings), 1 TBSP plain water (2 TBSP for 4), salt (we used ½ tsp; 1 tsp for 4), and pepper. (Be sure to measure the Italian Seasoning; we sent more.)
- Form into 1-inch meatballs.
- Swap in **beef*** for pork.



4 COOK MEATBALLS

- Heat a large drizzle of oil in a large pan over medium-high heat.
 Add meatballs and cook, turning occasionally, until browned all over and cooked through, 12-14 minutes.
 TIP: Lower heat if meatballs begin to brown too quickly.
- Turn off heat; remove from pan and set aside. Wipe out pan.



5 MAKE SAUCE

- Heat a drizzle of oil in same pan over medium heat. Add mushrooms, scallion whites, and garlic; season with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring, until softened, 2-4 minutes.
- Stir in sour cream, cream cheese, stock concentrate, ¼ cup reserved pasta cooking water (½ cup for 4 servings), and 2 TBSP butter (3 TBSP for 4). Bring to a simmer and cook until slightly thickened, 2-3 minutes. Turn off heat. Season with salt and pepper.



6 FINISH & SERVE

- Add drained penne and meatballs to pan with sauce; toss to coat.
 (For 4 servings, if your pan isn't large enough, carefully pour everything back into empty pasta pot.) If needed, stir in more reserved pasta cooking water a splash at a time until penne is coated in a creamy sauce.
- Divide pasta between bowls; top with Parmesan and scallion greens.
 Sprinkle with chili flakes to taste and serve.