

# **PENNE WITH PORK MEATBALLS**

in a Creamy Mushroom Sauce



PREP: 5 MIN COOK: 35 MIN CALORIES: 1070

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#### **HELLO**

#### 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 of 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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\*Ground Pork is fully cooked when internal temperature reaches 160°.

Gound Beef is fully cooked when internal temperature reaches 160°.



## 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 pre-sliced!).
   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 mixture 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 (¼ 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. (TIP: 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.

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