

# **VEGGIE-LOADED ORZO AND SAUSAGE**

with Zucchini, Tomatoes, and Bell Pepper



## HELLO **VEGGIE EXTRAVAGANZA**

Tomatoes, zucchini, and bell pepper make this one fully packed pasta.



Parsley

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Garlic





Lemon





Orzo Pasta (Contains: Wheat)



Sweet Italian

Pork Sausage



Parmesan Cheese

(Contains: Milk)



\* Your bell pepper may be orange, yellow, or red. No matter what the color, it will still be delicious!

Bell Pepper\* Grape Tomatoes

4.3 Veggie Loaded Orzo and Sausage\_NJ.indd 1

#### START STRONG

Leave as much grease in the pan as possible after cooking the sausage. Not only will it help the veggies cook, it'll make them extra-tasty, too.

#### BUST OUT

- Large pot
- Large pan
- Slotted spoon
- Strainer
- Olive oil (2 tsp | 4 tsp)

— INGI	REDIE	NTS —
Ingredient	2-person	4-person

• Parsley	1⁄4 oz   1⁄4 oz
• Garlic	2 Cloves   4 Cloves
Red Onion	1 1
<ul> <li>Grape Tomatoes</li> </ul>	4 oz   8 oz
• Zucchini	1 2
Bell Pepper	1 2
• Lemon	1 1
• Sweet Italian Pork Sa	ausage 9 oz   18 oz
• Orzo Pasta	6 oz   12 oz
Parmesan Cheese	⅓ Cup   ½ Cup







### PREP

Wash and dry all produce. Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. Finely chop parsley. Mince or grate garlic. Halve, peel, and finely chop onion. Halve tomatoes. Halve zucchini lengthwise, then slice into ¼-inch-thick half-moons. Core and seed bell pepper, then thinly slice. Cut lemon into wedges. Remove sausage from casings.



**4 COOK ORZO** Once water is boiling, add **orzo** to pot. Cook, stirring occasionally, until al dente, 7-9 minutes. Carefully scoop out and reserve ¼ **cup pasta cooking water**, then drain.



**BROWN SAUSAGE** Heat a drizzle of **olive oil** in a large pan over medium-high heat. Add **sausage** and cook until browned, 4-5 minutes. Remove from pan with a slotted spoon and set aside, keeping as much grease in pan as possible.



**3** COOK ZUCCHINI Heat another drizzle of olive oil in same pan over medium heat. Add onion and zucchini. Cook, tossing, until softened, 5-6 minutes. Season with salt and pepper.



**5 TOSS PASTA** Add **bell pepper** and **garlic** to pan with **zucchini**. Cook, tossing, until bell pepper softens, 2-4 minutes. Add **tomatoes** and cook, tossing, until warmed through, 1-2 minutes. Season with **salt** and **pepper**. Toss **orzo** and **sausage** into pan. Stir in half the **Parmesan**, a squeeze of **lemon**, and a splash of **pasta water**. Add more water as needed to loosen. Season with salt and pepper.



6 FINISH AND SERVE Divide orzo mixture between plates, then garnish with parsley and remaining Parmesan. Serve with lemon wedges on the side for squeezing over.

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So many veggies, so much deliciousness. WK 4 NJ-3

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