

## **VEGGIE-LOADED ORZO AND SAUSAGE**

with Zucchini, Tomatoes, and Bell Pepper



# VEGGIE EXTRAVAGANZA

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

PREP: 15 MIN TOTAL: 30 MIN CALORIES: 830



Garlic





Red Bell Pepper







Grape Tomatoes







Sweet Italian Parmesan Cheese Pork Sausage (Contains: Milk)

#### 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)

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Ingredient	2-person	4-person
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• Parsley	1⁄4 oz   1⁄4 oz
• Garlic	2 Cloves   4 Cloves
Red Onion	1 1
• Grape Tomatoes	4 oz   8 oz
• Zucchini	1 2
Red 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.



### 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**COOK REMAINING VEGGIES

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**.

**6FINISH AND SERVE** Toss **orzo** and **sausage** into pan with veggie mixture. Stir in half the **Parmesan**, a squeeze of **lemon**, and a splash of **pasta water**. Add more water as needed to create a loose consistency. Season with **salt** and **pepper**. Divide between plates, then garnish with **parsley** and remaining Parmesan.

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So many veggies, so much deliciousness

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