

Rigatoni with Sausage and Tomato Cream Sauce

Ingredients

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 1/2 pounds mild or hot Italian bulk sausage
- 1 onion, chopped
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/3 cup dry white wine or white cooking wine
- 1 1/2 cups canned crushed tomatoes (from a 15-ounce can)
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon fresh-ground black pepper
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley
- 1 cup half and half
- 1 pound rigatoni
- Grated Parmesan, for serving

Instructions

- 1. In a large frying pan, heat the oil over moderate heat. Add the sausage and cook, breaking up the meat with a fork, until it is no longer pink, about 5 minutes. With a slotted spoon, remove the sausage from the pan. Discard all but 1 tablespoon fat.
- 2. Reduce the heat to moderately low. Add the onion and garlic and cook, stirring occasionally, until the onion is translucent, about 5 minutes. Add the wine and cook until it almost evaporates, about 5 minutes. Stir in the sausage,tomatoes, and salt. Simmer, covered, for 10 minutes. Add the pepper, parsley, and half and half.
- 3. In a large pot of boiling, salted water, cook the rigatoni until just done, about 14 minutes. Drain the pasta and toss with the sauce. Serve with grated Parmesan.

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