## Vegetable Ragu with Whole Wheat Pasta

4 Servings • 1 Serving = % Cup Ragu and % Cup Pasta

## INGREDIENTS

- 1 Tablespoon olive oil
- ¼ onion, finely chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 medium carrot, finely chopped
- 1 large stalk of celery, finely chopped
- Pinch red pepper flakes
- · 1 teaspoon Italian seasoning
- ½ pound ground turkey or ground beef (at least 93% lean)
- 16 ounces tomato sauce, no sugar or salt added
- 2 cups dry whole wheat penne or fusilli pasta
- ¼ cup parmesan cheese, grated

## DIRECTIONS

- 1. Bring a large pot of water to a boil.
- Heat a large skillet over medium heat. Once hot, add oil, onion, garlic, carrot, and celery. Sauté 4-6 minutes, stirring frequently, until slightly softened and fragrant. Add the red pepper flakes and Italian seasoning and stir.
- Add ground turkey or beef to the skillet. Crumble the meat with a spatula, cover with a lid, and cook through, stirring occasionally.
- Once the meat is fully cooked, add tomato sauce. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat to simmer. With the lid on, simmer for 5 minutes.
- While the sauce is simmering, add the pasta to the boiling water and cook until al dente. Drain the pasta.
- Portion ¾ cup pasta into four bowls and evenly divide the sauce among the bowls. Garnish each serving with 1 Tablespoon of parmesan cheese.





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