

Allengens Hey home cooks! Please refer to the website or app for the as-prepared recipe nutritional information. Ingredients are packaged in a facility that also handles egg, fish, crustacean, shellfish, milk, mustard, peanuts, sesame, soy, sulphites, tree nuts and wheat.

Ingredient quantities 2 person 4 person

### Pantry items | Pepper, salt, unsalted butter

Cooking utensils | Colander, large non-stick pan, large pot, measuring cups, measuring spoons, medium pot, paper towels, potato masher, slotted spoon, whisk



## Boil pasta water and cook squash

- Before starting, wash and dry all produce.
- Heat Guide for Step 6:
   Mild: ½ tsp (½ tsp)
   Medium: ¼ tsp (½ tsp)
   Spicy: ½ tsp (1 tsp)
- Add 10 cups water and 2 tsp salt to a large pot (use same for 4 ppl). Cover and bring to a boil over high heat.
- Meanwhile, add squash, 1 tsp salt and enough water to cover (by approx. 1 inch) to a medium pot (use same for 4 ppl). Cover and bring to a boil over high heat.
- Once boiling, reduce heat to medium-high. Cook uncovered until **squash** is fork-tender, 10-12 min.
- Drain and return squash to the same pot, off heat. Mash squash until smooth.



## Cook bacon

## 🕂 Add | Chicken Breast Tenders

#### 🕺 Double | Bacon

- Heat a large non-stick pan over medium heat.
- While the pan heats, cut **bacon** crosswise into 1/4-inch strips.
- When hot, add **bacon** to the dry pan. Cook, stirring occasionally, until crispy, 5-7 min.\*\*
- Remove the pan from heat. Using a slotted spoon, transfer **bacon** to a paper towel-lined plate. Set aside.
- Reserve **bacon fat** in the pan.



# Cook penne

- Meanwhile, add **penne** to the **boiling water**. Cook uncovered, stirring occasionally, until tender, 10-12 min.
- Reserve ¾ cup (1 ½ cups) pasta water, then drain and return penne to the same pot, off heat.



## Prep

- Meanwhile, peel, then cut **shallot** into ¼-inch pieces.
- Peel, then mince or grate **garlic**.
- Pick **a few sage leaves** from **stems**, then finely chop **1 tbsp** (2 tbsp) **leaves**.



## Cook sauce

- When **squash** is almost done, reheat the pan with **reserved bacon fat** over medium.
- When hot, add **shallots**. Cook, stirring often, until slightly softened, 2-3 min.
- Add **garlic**. Cook, stirring constantly, until fragrant, 30 sec.
- Add mashed squash, broth concentrate, cream cheese, reserved pasta water,
  1 tbsp (2 tbsp) butter and 2 tsp sage.
  Season with salt and pepper.
- Increase heat to medium-high. Bring to a simmer, whisking constantly, until sauce is smooth.



# Finish and serve

### 🛨 Add | Chicken Breast Tenders

- Add spinach, penne and Parmesan to the pan with sauce. Cook, stirring often, until spinach wilts and sauce thickens slightly,
- 2-3 min. Season with **salt** and **pepper**, to taste.
- Divide penne between plates.
- Sprinkle bacon and some chili flakes over top, if desired. (NOTE: Reference heat guide.)



## 4 | Cook chicken and bacon

#### 🕂 Add | Chicken Breast Tenders

If you've opted to add **chicken breast tenders**, pat dry with paper towels. Season with **salt** and **pepper**. Heat a large non-stick pan over medium-high heat. When hot, add ½ **tbsp** (1 tbsp) **oil**, then **chicken breast tenders**. Sear until tenders are golden-brown and cooked through, 3-4 min per side.\*\*

### 4 | Cook bacon

#### 🕺 Double | Bacon

If you've opted for **double bacon**, cook it in the same way the recipe instructs you to cook the **regular portion of bacon**. Work in batches, if necessary.

## 6 | Finish and serve

🕂 Add | Chicken Breast Tenders

Thinly slice **chicken**. Top plates with **chicken**.

• Vacuum-pack guarantees maximum freshness but can lead to small colour changes and a stronger scent. Both will disappear 3 minutes after opening.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Cook bacon to a minimum internal temperature of 71°C/160°F, and cook chicken to a minimum internal temperature of 74°C/165°F.