

# Chicken and Bacon Pesto Pasta

with Fresh Linguine and Blistered Tomatoes

Family Friendly

Fresh Pasta

30-40 Minutes





Chicken Breasts



2 | 4



100 g | 200 g



Fresh Linguine



**Baby Tomatoes** 

227 g | 454 g





28 g | 56 g



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**Basil Pesto** 1/2 cup | 1 cup



**Italian Seasoning** 1/2 tbsp | 1 tbsp

Allergens 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. Cooking utensils | 2 Baking sheets, colander, measuring spoons, parchment paper, measuring cups, large pot, large non-stick pan, paper towels





#### Boil water and cook bacon

- Before starting, preheat the oven to 450°F.
- Wash and dry all produce.
- Add 10 cups water and 1 tbsp salt to a large pot (use same for 4 ppl). Cover and bring to a boil over high heat.
- Meanwhile, arrange bacon strips in a single layer on a parchment-lined baking sheet.
- Roast in the top of the oven until crispy and cooked through, 8-12 min.\*\*
- When **bacon** is done, set aside on a paper towel-lined plate.
- When cool enough to handle, crumble bacon into bite-sized pieces.



## Toast pine nuts

- Wipe the pan (from step 2) clean and reheat over medium.
- When hot, add pine nuts to the dry pan.
  Toast, stirring often, until golden-brown,
  4-5 min. (TIP: Keep your eye on pine nuts so they don't burn!)
- Transfer pine nuts to a plate.



## Cook chicken

- Pat chicken dry with paper towels. Season with salt, pepper and half the Italian seasoning (use all for 4 ppl).
- Heat a large non-stick pan over medium-high heat.
- When hot, add ½ tbsp oil, then chicken.
  (NOTE: Cook chicken in 2 batches for 4 ppl, using ½ tbsp oil per batch.) Sear until golden-brown, 1-2 min per side.
- Remove from heat. Transfer chicken to an unlined baking sheet.
- Roast in the **middle** of the oven until cooked through, 10-12 min.\*\*
- When done, rest **chicken** on a cutting board,
  5 min.



#### Blister tomatoes

- Meanwhile, halve tomatoes.
- Add tomatoes and ½ tbsp (1 tbsp) oil to a parchment-lined baking sheet. Season with salt and pepper, then toss to combine.
- Roast in the **bottom** of the oven until tender, 12-14 min.



# Cook linguine

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

- Add linguine to the boiling water.
- Cook uncovered, stirring occasionally, until tender, 2-4 min.
- Reserve ¾ cup (1 ½ cups) pasta water, then drain linguine and return to the same pot, off heat.
- Add pesto, goat cheese, bacon and
  cup (1 cup) reserved pasta water to the pot with linguine. (TIP: For a lighter sauce consistency, add more reserved pasta water, 1-2 tbsp at a time, if desired.)
- Season with salt and pepper, then toss to combine until goat cheese melts, 1-2 min.



### Finish and serve

- Thinly slice chicken.
- Divide pasta between plates. Top with tomatoes and chicken.
- Sprinkle **pine nuts** over top.

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Measurements within steps 1 tbsp 2 person

osp (2 tbsp) oil