Nonna's Spaghetti with Clams



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Serves 4

Prep Time: 10 minutes Cook Time: 20 minutes

Ingredients

- __1 lb of Little Neck Clams, scrubbed well
- __1 15 oz can of Cherry Tomatoes
- __3 Tbsp of Olive Oil
- __3 Cloves of Garlic
- __10oz of Spaghetti
- __Small Pinch of Hot Pepper Flakes
- __Salt and Pepper, to taste
- __Fresh Chopped Basil and Parsley

- 1) Place the clams in a large saucepan with about ½ cup of water, cover the pan with a lid and steam the clams for a few minutes or until they all open. Remove the clams from the pot reserving ½ cup of the clam juice (dont take the juice from the very bottom of the pot because there might be sand in it), set aside.
- 2) Fill a large pot with water, sprinkle in some salt and bring to a boil.



- 3) In a skillet with high sides, saute your garlic with the oil over medium-high heat, add the hot pepper flakes and canned cherry tomatoes and about ¼ cup of water, turn the heat down to medium and cook the sauce for about 8 to 10 minutes.
- 4) At this point, add the spaghetti to your boiling water, cook according to package instructions and drain well once they are cooked.
- 5) Add the clams and reserved clam juice to the sauce and let that mixture cook for about 9 to 10 minutes.
- 6) Taste the sauce and season according to taste, add some fresh chopped basil and parsley and toss it with your drained pasta. Serve immediately!!