

# Mixed Pepper Fusilli

with Bacon Crispies





#### **HELLO FUSILLI**

This pasta doesn't just come in yellow, you can also get red, black and even green varieties!







**Echalion Shallot** 

Streaky Bacon









Courgette



Flat Leaf Parsley



Panko Breadcrumbs



Fusilli Pasta



Crème Fraîche



Chicken Stock Powder





Italian Style Grated Hard Cheese



2 of your

25 mins

5 a day

There's no doubt about it, the bacon 'crispies' are the showstopper in this delicious recipe. Made up of crispy bacon and breadcrumbs, this is a cheat's version of 'gremolata' (a popular Italian garnish) which gives a lovely crunchy texture to this dish. We don't know about you, but we're now looking for any excuse to add bacon crispies to our food!

### **BEFORE YOU** STAR

Our fruit and veggies need a little wash before you use them! Make sure you've got a Large Saucepan, Frying Pan, some Kitchen Paper, a Fine Grater (or Garlic Press), Colander and Measuring Jug. Now, let's get cooking!



#### **FRY THE BACON**

Put a large saucepan of water with a pinch of salt on to boil for the pasta. Heat a drizzle of oil in a frying pan on medium heat. Lay in twothirds of the bacon rashers and fry until really crispy, 5-6 mins. \*TIP: Turn regularly to avoid burning. Once crispy, remove from your pan and place on some kitchen paper. Don't wash the pan as we'll use it again.



#### **PREP THE VEGGIES**

Meanwhile, halve, peel and thinly slice the **shallot**. Peel and grate the **garlic** (or use a garlic press). Trim the **courgette**, quarter lengthways then chop widthways into small pieces. Halve the **peppers** and discard the core and seeds. Slice into thin strips. Cut the remaining bacon into 1cm wide strips. Roughly chop the **parsley** (stalks and all).



#### **BACON CRISPIES TIME!**

Return your now empty pan (leave any bacon fat in there) to medium heat and add the panko breadcrumbs. Cook until the **crumbs** are golden, 2-3 mins. Transfer them from the pan to a small bowl. Crumble your now cooled **crispy bacon** into the **breadcrumbs** and mix together these are your bacon crispies!



#### **COOK THE SPARE BACON**

Wipe out your frying pan with some kitchen paper, add a drizzle of oil and return it to medium heat. Add the remaining bacon strips and cook until cripsy, 5 mins. Add the **fusilli** to your pan of boiling water and cook until al dente, around 9 mins. \*TIP: 'Al dente' simply means the pasta is cooked through but has a tiny bit of firmness left in the middle. When cooked, drain in a colander.



#### START THE SAUCE

Add the **shallot**, **courgette** and **peppers** to the pan with the **bacon strips** and cook until softened, 5 mins. Add the garlic and tomato purée. Cook for 1 minute more. Pour in the water (see ingredients for amount) and add the **stock powder**. Stir to dissolve and simmer, 5 mins.  $\star$  TIP: If it looks a bit dry, add a couple of spoonfuls of the pasta water to the pan at the end of the 5 mins.



#### **FINISH AND SERVE!**

Stir the crème fraîche and cheese into the sauce. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Add the pasta to your sauce and stir together. Serve in bowls with your **bacon** crispies on top and a sprinkling of parsley. **Buon appetito!** 

## **INGREDIENTS**

	2P	3P	4P
Streaky Bacon	6 rashers	10 rashers	12 rashers
Echalion Shallot	1	1	2
Garlic Clove	1	2	2
Courgette	1	2	2
Red Pepper	1	2	2
Yellow Pepper	1	1	2
Flat Leaf Parsley	1 bunch	1 bunch	1 bunch
Panko Breadcrumbs 13)	20g	30g	50g
Fusilli Pasta 13)	180g	250g	360g
Tomato Purée	1 sachet	1½ sachets	2 sachets
Water*	100ml	150ml	200ml
Chicken Stock Powder	½ pot	¾ pot	1 pot
Crème Fraîche 7)	1 small pouch	¾ large pouch	1 large pouch
Italian Style Grated Hard Cheese 7) 8)	1 pack	1½ packs	2 packs

\*Not Included

NUTRITION PER UNCOOKED INGREDIENT	PER SERVING 537G	PER 100G
Energy (kcal)	757	141
(kJ)	3165	589
Fat (g)	32	6
Sat. Fat (g)	15	3
Carbohydrate (g)	86	16
Sugars (g)	16	3
Protein (g)	35	6
Salt (g)	2.48	0.46

Nutrition for uncooked ingredients based on 2 person recipe.

#### **ALLERGENS**

7) Milk 8) Egg 13) Gluten

Wash your hands before and after handling ingredients. Wash fruit and vegetables; but not meat! Use different chopping boards and utensils for raw and ready-to-eat foods or wash these in-between uses.



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