

## **Mushroom Bolognese Sauce with Spaghetti**

- 1 ounce dried porcini mushrooms
- 1 small onion, peeled
- 1 medium carrot, peeled
- 1 celery rib
- 1 medium parsnip, peeled
- 1/2 small turnip, peeled
- 1 pound fresh oyster mushrooms or fresh exotic mushrooms
- 1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil
- Kosher salt; ground black pepper to taste
- 1/2 cup dry red wine
- 1 small Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese rind
- 1/8 teaspoon crushed red pepper
- 1/4 cup heavy cream
- 1 teaspoon minced fresh rosemary
- 1/4 cup freshly grated Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese

## Spaghetti

- 1 1/2 pounds spaghetti, cooked until al dente and kept warm
- 4 tablespoons unsalted butter

In a bowl, cover the porcini with 1-1/2 cups of boiling water; let stand until softened; set aside.

Cut onion, carrot, celery, parsnip, turnip, into chunks; place In food processor, pulse to rough chop; add mushrooms; chop until finely chopped mixture.

In a large pot, heat the oil. Add the vegetables, season with salt and pepper cook over moderate heat until softened, about 20 minutes.

Drain porcini mushrooms, reserve about 1 cup of the water. Rinse and chop the porcini, add to the vegetables and cook until fragrant, about 10 minutes. Add the wine, Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese rind, and red pepper; cook until the wine evaporates.

Add the reserved porcini water, cover partially and cook over low heat, stirring, until thick, about 25 minutes. Add heavy cream, minced rosemary and 1/4 cup of grated cheese;simmer for 5 minutes. Discard the rind.

**To prepare spaghette**: Cook spaghette in salted water until al dente. Add warm pasta, butter and 1 cup of water to the sauce and toss, stirring until the spaghetti is well-coated. Serve. 8

Note: To prepare for 4 serving, use only half of spaghetti and sauce. Refrigerate remaining sauce for another recipe.

Preparation time: about 1 hour

**Recipe inspired by**: Chef Sarah Grueneberg, who created a vegetarian version of Bolognese to use in place of meat version

For More Recipe Information: See: <u>http://www.foodandwine.com/recipes/mushroom-bolognese</u>

**Using a Blended Protein Technique:** Use half of the required mushrooms and use ground meat like pork, beef, or sausage for the remainder.

**About the Recipe**: This Bolognese sauce combines healthy vegetables with flavorful mushrooms and can be used as a pasta sauce or as a filling for recipes like cabbage wraps.