August favorites

Recipes from our readers, tested in Sunset's kitchen BY MOLLY WATSON PHOTOGRAPHS BY ANNABELLE BREAKEY



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Schmitt created this quick one-pan dinner with the colors of an Arizona desert sunset in mind.

PREP AND COOK TIME 40 minutes

MAKES 6 servings

3 tbsp. olive oil

8 oz. mushrooms, sliced

1/2 tsp. salt

4 cloves garlic, chopped

1/2 tsp. red chile flakes

1 can (141/2 oz.) whole peeled tomatoes, chopped

2 cans (141/2 oz. each) reduced-sodium

chicken broth

1 can (15 oz.) chickpeas (garbanzo beans),

drained and rinsed

3/4 lb. thin spaghetti

11/2 lbs. shrimp, peeled and develned

2 tsp. chopped fresh oregano

1 to 2 tbsp. lemon juice

4 green onions, white and light green parts, thinly sliced

2 tbsp. finely shredded parmesan cheese

1 tbsp. chopped flat-leaf parsley

1. In a large frying pan with a tight-fitting lid, cook olive oil, mushrooms, and salt, uncovered, over high heat, stirring until mushrooms start to brown slightly, 3 to 5 minutes. Lower heat to medium high, add garlic and chile flakes, and cook,

stirring, until fragrant, 1 to 2 minutes. Add tomatoes, chicken broth, and chickpeas. Bring to a boil. Cover, reduce heat to low, and cook 20 minutes.

2. Break pasta into 2-in. pieces. Add pasta to vegetable mixture, cover, and simmer until pasta is cooked on the outside but still raw in the center, about 4 minutes. Add shrimp, cover, and cook until shrimp and pasta are cooked through, about 5 minutes. Stir in oregano and 1 tbsp. lemon juice. Sprinkle with remaining lemon juice to taste. Garnish with green onions, parmesan, and parsley. Serve hot.

PER 2-CUP SERVING 462 CAL., 21% (99 CAL.) FROM FAT; 33 G PROTEIN; 11 G FAT (1.7 G SAT.); 57 G CARBO (4.6 G FIBER); 882 MG SODIUM; 142 MG CHOL.