

SPAGHETTI WITH KALE PESTO

Makes 6 first course servings or 4 main course servings.

If you are fond of pesto made with basil, you may want to try this recipe for a change; it is definitely nutritious.

INGREDIENTS

- 1 bunch kale, ½ pound
- 2 cloves garlic
- 2 tablespoons walnuts
- Lemon zest from 1 lemon
- ¹/₂ cup extra-virgin olive oil
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice, approximately
- Kosher salt
- Freshly ground black pepper
- ¼ cup grated imported Parmesan cheese, optional
- 1 pound imported spaghetti

PREPARATION

- 1. Remove kale stems and ribs. Cut the rest into large pieces and place in a food processor with the garlic, walnuts, lemon zest, 1 teaspoon salt and pepper. Through the feed tube slowly pour the olive oil and the lemon juice. Process until smooth.
- 2. Transfer to a bowl.
- 3. In a large pot bring 3 quarts of water to a rolling boil. Add 2 tablespoons salt and the spaghetti.

- 4. Boil briskly, uncovered, for 8-10 minutes. The spaghetti should be al dente. Drain well and add to the bowl with the kale pesto.
- 5. Season to taste with lemon juice, salt and pepper. Toss with Parmesan cheese, if you like.
- 6. Before serving adjust the seasoning.