LEMON PASTA

1 LARGE LEMON 1 PACKAGE OF FETTUCCINE, LINGUINE OR SPAGHETTI PARMESAN CHEESE FRESH CHIVES

BRING A LARGE POT OF WATER TO A BOIL. SALT GENEROUSLY. ADD PASTA.

GRATE THE PEEL FROM ONE LEMON WITH A MICROPLANE OR BOX GRATER. RESERVE. CUT LEMON IN HALF, JUICE AND RESERVE.

GRATE ABOUT 2 CUPS OF PARMESAN.

SCOOP A CUP OF THE STARCHIEST PASTA WATER FROM THE POT AND RESERVE.

WHEN THE PASTA IS NEARLY DONE, DRAIN IN A COLANDER.

PUT THE PASTA POT OVER MEDIUM HEAT. ADD 2 TBPS OF OLIVE OIL AND 3 TBSPS OF BUTTER. WHEN THE BUTTER MELTS, POUR IN 1/2 OF PASTA WATER AND STIR VIGOROUSLY.

ADD 1 CUP OF PARMESAN, THE LEMON JUICE AND GRATED LEMON. STIR TOGETHER, THEN ADD ALL THE PASTA.

CONTINUE STIRRING. THE SAUCE WILL THICKEN. IF IT GETS TOO VISCOUS, ADD MORE PASTA WATER. THE SAUCE SHOULD BE CREAMY.

EMPTY INTO A WARM SERVING BOWL. SPRINKLE ON MORE PARMESAN AND THE CHOPPED CHIVES. SERVE WITH MORE PARMESAN ON THE SIDE.

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