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LINGUINI WITH CLAMS AND LINGUICA SAUSAGE

PAIRED WITH JAMES COLE CHARDONNAY

Put a bit of umph into your traditional linguini and clams recipe with the addition of Linguica, a Portuguese smoke-cured sausage. Serve with sliced French bread to lap up the heavenly buttery sauce left in your bowl.

Ingredients (serves 4)

- 1 lb. Linguini pasta
- 2-3 lb. Little Neck or Manila clams
- 11oz. Linguica (Portuguese) sausage
- 1 medium yellow onion
- 6 garlic cloves
- 1/4 bunch of fresh parsley
- 1/4 bunch fresh cilantro
- 1 cup white wine
- 6-8 tablespoons butter
- Olive Oil
- Red pepper flakes
- French bread loaf (fresh from your grocer's bakery section)
- Garlic salt



Directions

1 Rinse clams and set aside to soak in water for 20-30 minutes.

- Fill a large pot with water and set heat on high to bring to a boil. Adjust oven rack toward the top and preheat oven on broil.
- 3 Prepare ingredients while waiting for clams to soak and water to boil;
 - Slice the Linguica lengthwise and then lengthwise again (in quarters) and then cut into small pieces about ¼ inch thick. (They should look like small triangles.)
 - Coarsely chop onion, parsley and cilantro
 - Finely chop (but do not mince) garlic
 - Cut French Loaf bread into slices about 1" thick and place on a sheet pan. Using a basting brush, lightly coat one side of each slice with olive oil and add a small dash of garlic salt to each. Set aside.
- In an extra large skillet (one with a lid), add 4 Tbsp. olive oil and place on medium heat. Add Linguica and onion and cook while stirring for about 5 minutes. Add garlic and continue cooking and stirring for another 5-10 minutes until sausage and garlic are fragrant and the onions are translucent. You can add a little more olive oil if the mixture becomes too dry.



While mixture is sauteing, add pasta to the boiling water and cook al dente (cooked but slightly firm) usually 10-12 minutes.

- Drain and rinse clams from soaking water and add to the sausage/onion mixture. Add wine, butter, and half of the parsley and cilantro. Give a light stir and cover with a lid. Cook for approx. 10-15 minutes on medium heat. Stir occasionally while cooking. Remove from heat as soon as all or most shells are open (some shells will not open. Discard and do not eat unopened shells). Do not over-cook.
- When pasta is done, drain but do not rinse. After draining in a colander, put pasta back into its pot and stir in 1/3 cup (5 Tbsp.) of olive oil and a dash of salt. Pour shellfish/sausage mixture (everything including all juices) into pot of drained pasta and carefully mix together.
- Place sheet pan with sliced bread into the broiler for 1-2 minutes (until top is just turning golden brown).

SERVE: Use tongs to dish pasta and shellfish into bowls and a spoon to top the pasta with juices/sauce from the bottom of the pot. Top pasta with a sprinkle of red peppers flakes and garnish with parsley and cilantro. Serve with broiled French bread.

Pair with James Cole Chardonnay.

Cheers!