Chestnut Mushroom and Pancetta Linguine



Serves 4 Prep 15 mins Cook 35 mins

Easy

Ingredients

- 2 tbsp olive oil plus extra for drizzling
- 1 large onion, finely chopped
- 100g pancetta or streaky bacon, rinds removed & cut into small dice

450g chestnut mushrooms, roughly sliced

150ml red wine

2x 400g cans chopped tomatoes

1 tbsp sun-dried tomato puree or red pesto

1 tsp golden caster sugar

350g fresh linguine

100g goat's cheese, cut into 4 thick slices

- 1. Heat 2 tbsp olive oil in a large saucepan and stir in the onion. Gently cook, stirring often, for at least 8 mins or until the onion is soft and golden brown.
- 2. Add the bacon and mushrooms. Continue frying, stirring all the time, for 10 mins or until all the liquid has evaporated and the bacon and the mushrooms are cooked.
- 3. Pour in the wine and bring to the boil. Bubble the wine for 2 mins and then stir in the tomatoes, tomato puree or pesto, sugar and season to taste. Bring to the boil and simmer, uncovered, for 15 mins.
- 4. While the sauce is simmering, cook the pasta in boiling salted water according to packet instructions.
- 5. Preheat the grill to hot. Put the slices of goat's cheese on a baking sheet, drizzle with a little olive oil and sprinkle with freshly ground black pepper. Pop under the hot grill for 1-2 mins until golden.
- 6. Drain the pasta well and stir it into the hot sauce. Serve immediately, with a slice of toasted goat's cheese on top.