CHICKEN PARMESAN WITH ZUCCHINI NOODLES

ingredients:

- 2 medium zucchini
- 3 Tablespoons olive oil, divided
- 1 1/2 cups yellow onion, chopped, divided
- 8 garlic cloves, chopped, divided
- 2 x 15-ounce cans crushed tomatoes, no salt added
- 4 Tablespoons fresh basil, chopped
- 1 Tablespoon fresh parsley, chopped
- 1 teaspoon fennel seed
- 1 teaspoon black pepper

1 teaspoon oregano

- 1 Tablespoon sugar
- 1/4 cup grated parmesan cheese
- 1 egg
- 1 Tablespoon Italian seasoning
- 1/2 cup plain bread crumbs
- 1 pound Kroger Simple Choice thin cut chicken breast
- 1/4 cup low-fat mozzarella cheese, shredded
- Optional: Basil leaves

directions:

- 1. Wash and trim ends of zucchini. Create zucchini noodles using a spiralizer or vegetable peeler; set aside.
- Heat 1 tablespoon olive oil in medium-size sauce pan. Add 1 cup chopped onion and sauté for 2-3 minutes, until golden brown. Add 6 cloves of chopped garlic and sauté until fragrant.
- 3. Next, add the crushed tomatoes, fresh basil, parsley, fennel seed, black pepper, oregano and sugar. Simmer for 15 minutes, then add the parmesan cheese.
- 4. While sauce is simmering, break egg into medium sized bowl, beat lightly and set aside.
- 5. In another medium sized bowl combine bread crumbs and Italian seasoning.
- 6. Heat 1 Tablespoon olive oil in a skillet on medium heat. Dip each chicken breast in the egg wash, then the bread crumbs, then place in skillet. Cook chicken thoroughly, flipping every 3 minutes to ensure even browning. Sprinkle mozzarella cheese on top.
- 7. Heat 1 Tablespoon olive oil in another skillet. Sauté 2 cloves of chopped garlic and $\frac{1}{2}$ cup onion for 2 minutes.
- 8. Add spiralized zucchini and cook for another 2 to 3 minutes. Divide zucchini noodles onto 4 plates and top each with 1/4 of the tomato sauce. Place chicken breast on top and sprinkle with fresh basil leaves, if desired.

Yield: 4 servings

Nutrition Information Per Serving:

410 Calories
19 grams Fat
5 grams Saturated Fat
130 mg Cholesterol
420 mg Sodium
21 grams Carbohydrates
3 grams Fiber
38 grams Protein

Food exchanges: 3 vegetable, 1/2 starch, 4 1/2 protein



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