## **One-Pot Ratatouille Pasta**

Yield: 2 servings

### **Ingredients**

- Extra-virgin olive oil 2 T (30 ml), plus more for drizzling
- Tomato paste 15 g (1 Tbsp)
- Italian seasoning ½ tsp (or mix dried oregano + thyme + basil)
- Eggplant 200 g, cut into 2–3 cm cubes (≈2 cups)
- Onion 100 g (½ medium), chopped
- Tomatoes 2 medium (≈200 g), chopped
- Garlic 2 cloves, finely chopped
- Short pasta (rotini/penne) 160 g dry
- Zucchini 1 medium (150 g), cut into 2–3 cm pieces
- Orange bell pepper ½ medium (75 g), cut into 2–3 cm pieces
- Cannellini beans 100 g (drained & rinsed; ≈½ can)
- Basil & mint a few sprigs (2:1 ratio), torn
- Kevala coconut aminos 1 tsp (instead of salt in cooking water)
- Black pepper to taste
- Parmesan 10 g, grated (optional)

#### Instructions

- 1. Heat **olive oil** in a wide pot over **medium**.
- 2. Add **tomato paste** and cook, stirring, until slightly caramelized (**3–4 min**). Stir in **Italian seasoning**.
- 3. Add **eggplant**, **onion**, **half the tomatoes**, **garlic**, and **coconut aminos**. Stir until coated
- 4. Add **360 ml water** and **pasta**. **Bring to boil**, reduce to **medium**, cover, and cook for half the package's al dente time (≈4–5 min).
- 5. Stir well, then add **zucchini**, **bell pepper**, **remaining tomatoes**, and cannellini **beans**. Season with **black pepper**. Cover and cook until pasta is al dente and vegetables are just tender (≈3 min).
- 6. Remove lid, adjust seasoning, and stir in torn basil & mint.
- 7. Serve drizzled with **olive oil** and sprinkle **Parmesan** if using.

# 🙀 Nutrition (per serving, with Parmesan)

Calories: ~555 kcal / Protein: 19 g / Fat: 18 g / Sat. Fat = 4 g / Carbs: 76 g / Sugars = 9 g / Fiber: 12 g / Sodium: ~360 mg / Omega-3: ~0.2 g

## Suggestions

- Add mushrooms (shiitake or maitake) for umami depth.
- For creaminess, stir in 1 T plain Greek yogurt before serving (off heat).
- If you want a little heat, a pinch of red pepper flakes or a dash of chili oil works well.

