Salmon Noodle Casserole

Yield: 4 servings (leftovers for 2 persons)

Ingredients

- DeCecco egg noodles 180 g (dry)
- Fresh salmon 300 g, skinned, boneless, cooked and flaked
- 長ネギ (Japanese leek) **1 large (≈120 g)**, halved lengthwise, sliced
- Maitake or shimeji mushrooms 100 g, separated into small pieces
- Garlic powder 1 tsp (3 g)
- Olive oil 20 g (4 tsp), divided
- All-purpose flour 25 g (2 ½ Tbsp)
- Soy milk (無調整豆乳) **500 ml**
- Dijon mustard 1 ½ Tbsp (22 g)
- Black pepper ½ tsp (1 g)
- Salt ½ tsp (3 g) (optional, taste first)
- Cayenne pinch (optional)

Veg additions

- Frozen peas − 80 g (½ cup), thawed
- When asparagus isn't available → use broccoli florets (150 g, lightly blanched) or green beans (150 g, chopped, blanched)

Topping

- Panko breadcrumbs 30 g (½ cup), toasted in dry skillet until golden
- Cheddar cheese **40 g**, shredded
- Parmesan 20 g, finely grated
- Fresh parsley 1 Tbsp, chopped

△ Instructions

- 1. **Cook noodles:** Bring pot of salted water to boil. Cook DeCecco egg noodles until just underdone (about 1–2 min less than package). If using broccoli/green beans, blanch them in the same pot during last 2 min. Drain, set aside.
- 2. **Cook vegetables:** Heat 2 tsp olive oil in skillet over medium. Add leek and mushrooms, cook 5–6 min until softened. Sprinkle with garlic powder, stir. Transfer to large bowl.
- 3. **Make sauce:** In same skillet, add 2 tsp oil. Stir in flour, cook 2 min. Gradually whisk in soy milk until smooth. Simmer 5 min, whisking often, until thickened. Off heat, stir in Dijon, pepper, salt (if using), and cayenne.
- 4. **Assemble:** In bowl with leeks and mushrooms, add noodles, salmon, peas, and optional green veg. Pour over sauce, fold gently. Spread in lightly oiled 2-liter baking dish.
- 5. **Top & bake:** Mix toasted panko with cheddar, Parmesan, parsley, and 1 tsp olive oil. Sprinkle evenly over casserole. Bake at **190** °C for 15–20 min until bubbling and golden. Rest 5 min before serving.



Nutrition (per serving)

• Calories: ~445 kcal

• **Protein:** ~32 g

• Fat: ~16 g

o Sat. Fat: ~5 g

• **Carbs**: ~41 g

∘ Sugars: ~4 g

• **Fiber**: ~4 g

• **Sodium**: ~500 mg

• Omega-3: ~1.6 g (from salmon)