

The Edible Garden

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Orecchiette with Tomatoes, Basil, and Ricotta By: Jennifer Rothman, AVP for Children's and Public Education at The New York Botanical Garden

Ingredients

1 pound orecchiette pasta
1 ½ pounds cherry tomatoes (heirloom varieties are best)
1/3 cup basil, chopped
½ cup ricotta cheese
2 garlic cloves, minced or put through garlic press
1 tablespoon olive oil
½ sweet white onion, minced

Instructions

- 1. Salt water for pasta and cook orecchiette until al dente.
- 2. While pasta is cooking, halve or quarter cherry tomatoes and place into large bowl. Add basil, garlic, olive oil, and onion. Sprinkle with salt.
- 3. Let sit for about 15 minutes. Add cooked pasta and stir.
- 4. Serve with a dollop of ricotta on top of each serving or add ricotta to bowl and stir.