Calamari Macaronatha

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Ingredients

2 1/2 cups elbow macaroni 1 pound squid, cleaned 1/4 cup red wine vinegar 6 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil 4 cloves garlic, minced 1 large onion, chopped 1 1/2 cups crushed tomatoes 1/4 cup dry white wine 1/2 lemon, juiced 1 cinnamon stick, broken in half 2 bay leaves 1/4 teaspoon dried basil leaves 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano salt and ground black pepper to taste 1/2 cup grated Mizithra cheese

Directions

Bring a large pot of lightly salted water to a boil. Add pasta and cook for 8 to 10 minutes or until al dente; drain.

In a small sauce pan, boil the squid in 3 cups of water mixed with the red wine vinegar for 8 to 10 minutes. Drain, cut into bite-sized rings/pieces, and set aside.

Heat the olive oil in a large heavy skillet. Saute the onion and garlic until onion is tender, but not brown. Stir in the squid, and saute for 2 minutes. Pour in the crushed tomatoes, white wine and lemon juice. Season with cinnamon stick, bay leaves, basil, oregano, salt and pepper. Bring to a boil, reduce heat, and simmer 15 to 20 minutes partially covered, stirring occasionally.

Remove from heat, and mix in cooked pasta. Serve topped with grated cheese.