Spaghetti Bolognese

- 1 tablespoon oil
- 1 onion
- 1 clove garlic
- 450g /1 lb minced beef or Quorn mince
- 1 tin chopped tomatoes
- Good pinch mixed herbs OR fresh Basil
- 1 bay leaf (optional)
- 1-2 tablespoons tomato puree
- Salt and pepper or a beef/vegetable stock cube
- Good shake Worcestershire sauce

Optional ingredients you could add to Bolognese:

- 1 carrot, finely diced
- 1 stick celery, finely chopped
- 1 red or green pepper
- 75g / 3oz mushrooms
- 250g spaghetti or other pasta shapes





Method

- 1. Chop onion and garlic finely.
- 2. In a medium saucepan, sauté onion and garlic in a little oil until soft, stirring occasionally. (Add other chopped vegetables at this stage, and sauté with the onion and garlic until soft)
- 3. Add mince beef and stir until browned.
- 4. Add tomatoes, herbs, tomato pureé, stock cube, Worcestershire sauce and seasoning, and simmer for at least 30 mins with lid on the pan.
- 5. Meanwhile, boil a kettle of water. Pour into a large saucepan and put on the highest heat to return to a fast boil.
- 6. Add the spaghetti or pasta, stir occasionally, and boil, without a lid for approx. 10-12 mins, or until tender.
- 7. Drain through a colander.
- 8. Serve spaghetti or other pasta, with the Bolognese on top.
- 9. Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese if desired.

Bolognese can also be used to make a lasagne.



