



### Producing pasta dishes

#### Lesson 7

Gain knowledge and understanding of storing, preparing and cooking various pasta dishes in the hospitality and catering industry with this course.





#### **Healthy options**

Pasta is made from white 'Durum' wheat flour.

Pasta is high in carbohydrates.

White pasta is absorbed quickly into the

body causing sugar spikes in the body.





#### **Healthy options**

Use whole wheat pasta for more fibre and to slow digestion down.

Use alternative flour's that are gluten free:

- Chickpea flour
- Rice and potato flour mix





## Healthy options for sauces

Use vegetable based fat when making bechamel sauces.

Use low fat cream, milk and cheese.





### Healthy options for sauces

Use light vegetable oils when cooking.

Use less salt.





### Healthy portion size for adults

180g of cooked pasta is a healthy portion.

This looks like two handfuls of uncooked dried pasta.





#### **Healthy diet**

Combine pasta into your diet.

Do not eat more than one portion of pasta a day.





# Matching pasta shapes to sauce

Pasta shapes are designed to compliment different sauces.

Sauces can cling to pasta or be held by pasta.





### Shapes and sauce

- Spaghetti thick sauce clings
- Shells hold meat and seafood
- Fusilli- thin sauce clings





#### Revision Activity 7

How big is a healthy portion of pasta?