TASTE WITHOUT WASTE

Penne with Onion and Tomato Jam

Serves 2-3.

Ingredients

I tbsp olive oil

2 red onions, halved and thinly sliced

2 tsp brown sugar

I tbsp balsamic vinegar plus a few extra drops

400g can chopped tomatoes

100g penne

1/3 cup pitted kalamata olives, halved lengthways

50g shaved Parmesan cheese

Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper

Method

Heat olive oil in a frying pan. Add the onion and sweat gently for five minutes. Throw in the brown sugar and cook over a medium-low heat, stirring regularly, for 10 minutes or until caramelised.

Add the vinegar, bring to a boil and cook for two minutes, stirring constantly. Tip in the tomato and simmer, stirring regularly, for fifteen minutes or until the mixture has reduced to a jam-like consistency. You want it to be thick but still hold a little moisture.

Meanwhile cook the pasta in a small pot of salted boiling water until al dente. Drain and return to the pot.

Stir through the olives and about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the onion jam. Toss until well combined. Season with a good grind of sea salt and black pepper.

Serve sprinkled with parmesan.

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