Penne with Italian Sausage and Broccoli Rabe

Serves 4 Prep Time: 5 minutes Cook Time: 15 minutes

Ingredients

4 sweet or spicy Italian sausages
(about 1.1/3 lb total) casings removed

1/2 bunch broccoli rabe, trimmed, coarsely chopped (about 2 cups)

2 garlic cloves, chopped 1/2 cup dry white wine

1 1/4 cups tomato passata

10 oz penne

2 tbs freshly shredded Pecorino cheese



Method

- 1. Heat a large heavy skillet over medium-high heat. Add sausages and cook, breaking meat up with a spoon, for about 6 minutes, or until golden brown. Add broccoli rabe and garlic and cook for about 4 minutes, or until broccoli rabe leaves are wilted. Add wine and then passata, bring to a simmer, and cook for about 3 minutes, or until liquid is reduced by one-fourth.
- Meanwhile, add penne to a large pot of boiling salted water over high heat and cook, stirring often, for about 8 minutes, or until al dente. Drain, reserving about 1/2 cup cooking water.
- Add penne to sauce and toss to coat, adding enough reserved cooking water to thin sauce to desired consistency. Season with salt and pepper. Sprinkle with cheese and serve.

