# ITALIAN COOKING BASICS

# WITH KATIE CORRADINI

# EGG NOODLES FOR 2 (EAT IMMEDIATELY)

# **Ingredients**

- 1 egg standard size (room temperature)
- 100g plain white flour (superfine, double zero)
- Sea salt

## **Supplies**

- Marble slab
- Rolling pin
- Pot of water
- Apron

#### **Directions**

- Make the flour into a ring (on marble top)
- Add the egg and sea salt into the center of the flour ring
- Mix the flower into the egg little by little
- Knead dough
- Roll thin, massage with flour
- Fold dough and slice into pasta pieces
- Boil water add sea salt once water is boiling and right before the pasta is added
  - Never add olive oil to boiling water!
- Add pasta to water for 90 seconds (will rise to surface)

## PASTA SAUCE

#### **Ingredients**

- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 tsp powder dry chili
- 1 large onion
- 1 can peeled tomatoes
- 3 fresh basil leaves per person
- Fresh tomatoes
- Sea salt
- Pepper
- Parmesan

# **Supplies**

- Frying pan
- Spatula

#### **Directions**

- Pan on medium heat on stove top
- Add olive oil, chopped onions and dry chili until they caramelize
- Add tomatoes and basil leaves
- Cook for 15 minutes
- Add fresh tomatoes
- Cook ten minutes
- Mash tomatoes
- Add sea salt and pepper
- Add parmesan
- Add noodles and serve

## TIRAMISU FOR 10

#### **Ingredients**

- 3 eggs (room temperature)
- 150g white sugar
- 200g lady fingers
- 500g mascarpone
- 2 cups milk (room temperature)
- 2 tbs sweet cocoa

#### **Supplies**

- Large mixing bowl
- Small mixing bowl
- Rectangular glass dish
- Whisk
- Strainer
- Small glass

#### **Directions**

- 1. Separate eggs (whites in small bowl, yellow in large bowl)
- 2. Small bowl: whisk whites until foam
- 3. Large bowl: mix sugar into yellow yolk with spatula until light color cream
- 4. Add mascarpone into large bowl
- 5. Add small bowl/foam to large bowl (slowly/gently)
- 6. Large dish: 2 cups of mixture
- 7. Individually soak lady fingers in milk and strategically place in the cream in the dish
- 8. After the entire dish is full of lady fingers add more cream mixture on top of the lady fingers and make another row of lady fingers
- 9. Add cream mixture on top of second layer of lady fingers
- 10. Add cocoa on top layer with strainer
- 11. Refrigerate for 1-3 hours (no more than 2 days)

## **BRUSCHETTA**

# **Ingredients**

- Loaf of Italian white bread
- Tomatoes
- Garlic
- Sea salt
- Extra virgin olive oil
- Dry oregano

#### **Supplies**

- Knife
- Toaster

#### **Directions**

- Slice the bread ½ inch
- Toast the bread
- Rub garlic on both sides of the bread
- Slice tomatoes ¼ inch thick and place 2 slices on each piece of bread
- Add sea salt
- Add extra virgin olive oil
- Add dry oregano OR fresh mozzarella cheese and basil

# **SALAD**

## **Ingredients**

- Cherry tomatoes
- Romaine lettuce
- Butter leaf
- Red cabbage
- Cucumber
- Bell peppers
- Sea salt
- Pepper
- Olive oil
- Balsamic vinegar

## **Supplies**

- Platter
- Serving forks

## **Directions**

- Chop lettuce and vegetables
- Mix in bowl
- Add sea salt, pepper, olive oil and balsamic vinegar to taste

# MEAT BALLS FOR 6

# Ingredients

½ lb ground turkey

- ½ lb ground chicken
- 3 chopped cloves of garlic
- Handful of chopped fresh parsley
- 3 slices of bread
- 3 cups of water
- 4 eggs (room temperature)
- Sea salt and black pepper

# **Supplies**

- 2 bowls
- Frying pan
- Spatula

## **Directions**

- Large bowl with meat, parsley and then add the eggs and mix
- Soak bread in bowl with water, squeeze out the water and add to large bowl
- Add garlic, sea salt and black pepper
- Cook fist size meat balls in frying pan with olive oil