

# EASY CHEESY SPAGHETTI CUPCAKES

January 4 National Spaghetti Day

## INGREDIENTS

- Cooking Spray
- 8 Ounces Uncooked Spaghetti
- 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Cups Marinara Sauce (divided)

- 16 Ounces Shredded Mozzarella Cheese (divided)
- Grated Parmesan Cheese (for serving)

## DIRECTIONS

- 1. Preheat the oven to 400°F. Grease a muffin pan with cooking spray.
- 2. Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. Add the spaghetti and cook until al dente, about 10 minutes.
- 3. Drain the pasta, and then rinse it with cold water and add it to a large bowl.
- 4. Stir in 1½ cups of the sauce until combined, and then stir in the shredded mozzarella cheese.
- 5. Using a large spoon and fork, twirl ¼ cup of the pasta into nests and transfer it to the prepared muffin pan. This will make 10 cupcakes.
- 6. Top each cup with the remaining marinara sauce and mozzarella cheese.
- 7. Bake until the tops are golden brown and the edges are slightly crispy, about 15 minutes.
- 8. Remove the cupcakes from the oven and let them cool for 5 minutes. Using a spoon, transfer the cupcakes from the pan onto serving plates.
- 9. Garnish with Parmesan cheese and serve.

#### MEAL PATTERN CONTRIBUTION

# MEAL TYPE

- Lunch/Supper

YIELD

10 Cupcakes

# 🖋 Grain

# **PORTION SIZES**

Vegetable

Meat/Meat Alternate

Toddler	Preschool	School Age	Adult
1 Cupcake	1 Cupcake	2 Cupcakes	4 Cupcakes

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