

## mezzi paccheri con pomodorini ciliegia alla marinara

MEZZI PACCHERI WITH CHERRY TOMATO MARINARA SAUCE 25 minutes | 4 servings

## Fine sea salt

- 5 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 1/4 teaspoon red pepper flakes
- 1 garlic clove, finely chopped
- 2 pints cherry tomatoes, halved 1/3 cup finely chopped flat-leaf parsley
- 1 pound mezzi paccheri or rigatoni

Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. In a large skillet, combine oil, red pepper flakes and garlic; heat over mediumhigh heat until oil begins to bubble. Add tomatoes, parsley and 1 teaspoon salt. Cook, stirring occasionally, until tomatoes are warmed through, about 3 minutes. Remove pan from heat and partially cover to keep warm.

If using paccheri, reduce pasta cooking water to a low boil and cook pasta, stirring occasionally, until al dente (if using rigatoni, cook at a rolling boil).

Reserving <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cup of the pasta cooking liquid, drain pasta and transfer to a large serving bowl. Add reserved <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cup pasta cooking liquid to skillet with tomato mixture; over high heat, cook, stirring, 1 minute. Add sauce to pasta and toss to combine well. Adjust seasoning to taste. Serve immediately.