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## Dreamy Spinach-stuffed Pasta Shells

with toasted sunflower seeds & a marinara sauce

Named after its shape like a conch shell, Conchiglioni pasta is the perfect vehicle for the creamy, garlicky spinach stuffing you will be making, Chef. These will be embraced by a flavourful tomato passata-based sauce featuring fresh oregano and goat's cheese. Perfetto!

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**Hands-on Time:** 45 minutes

**Overall Time:** 55 minutes

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**Serves:** 4 People

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**Chef:** Kate Gomba

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Veggie

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Deetlefs Wine Estate | Deetlefs Stonecross  
Sauvignon Blanc

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## Ingredients & Prep

400g	Large Pasta Shells
40g	Sunflower Seeds
2	Garlic Cloves <i>peel &amp; grate</i>
400g	Spinach <i>rinse &amp; roughly shred</i>
2	Onions <i>peel &amp; slice</i>
40ml	NOMU Cajun Rub
200ml	Tomato Passata
100g	Chevin Goat's Cheese
10g	Fresh Oregano <i>rinse &amp; pick</i>
125ml	Cake Flour
400ml	Low Fat UHT Milk

## From Your Kitchen

Oil (cooking, olive or coconut)  
Salt & Pepper  
Water  
Sugar/Sweetener/Honey  
Butter

**1. PASTA** Bring a pot of salted water to a boil for the pasta. Cook the pasta until al dente, 17-20 minutes. Drain, reserving a cup of pasta water, and toss through a drizzle of olive oil.

**2. TOAST THE SEEDS** Place the sunflower seeds in a large pan (with a lid) over medium heat. Toast until golden brown, 2-3 minutes (shifting occasionally). Remove from the pan and set aside.

**3. GARLICKY SPINACH** Return the pan to medium heat with a drizzle of oil and a knob of butter. When hot, fry the grated garlic until fragrant, 30-60 seconds. Add the shredded spinach and cook until wilted, 3-4 minutes. Remove from the pan.

**4. CREAMY SAUCE** Return the pan, wiped down if necessary, to medium heat with a drizzle of oil. When hot, fry the sliced onion until soft and lightly golden, 5-6 minutes. In the final 1-2 minutes, add the NOMU rub and fry until fragrant. Mix in the tomato passata and 400ml of water. Simmer until thickening, 8-10 minutes. In the final 2-3 minutes, mix in the goat's cheese and ½ the rinsed oregano. Remove from the heat, add a sweetener (to taste), and season.

**5. CREAMY SPINACH** Place a pot over medium heat with 80g of butter. Once melted, vigorously mix in the flour to form a roux. Cook out the flour, 1-2 minutes (stirring constantly). Slowly whisk in the milk. Once the milk is incorporated, add 200ml of the reserved pasta water and the wilted spinach. Simmer until thickening, 2-3 minutes. Loosen with a splash of warm water if it's too thick. Remove from the heat and season.

**6. JUST BEFORE SERVING** Return the pan with the creamy tomato sauce to medium-low heat. Using tongs, spread the cooked pasta shells out evenly over the creamy tomato sauce, and cover the pasta shells with dollops of the creamy spinach. (Alternatively, stuff the shells with the creamy spinach. Using a tsp, fill each shell with the creamy spinach). Cover with a lid and simmer until warmed through, 4-5 minutes.

**7. DINNER IS SERVED** Plate up the saucy pasta, sprinkle over the toasted sunflower seeds, and garnish with the remaining oregano. Good job, Chef!

## Nutritional Information

Per 100g

Energy	516kJ
Energy	123kcal
Protein	5.3g
Carbs	18g
of which sugars	3.2g
Fibre	2.1g
Fat	3g
of which saturated	1.1g
Sodium	286mg

## Allergens

Egg, Gluten, Allium, Wheat, Cow's Milk

Eat  
Within  
4 Days