

CAPELLINI WITH SHRIMP AND CREAMY TOMATO SAUCE

SERVES 4

ACTIVE TIME: 10 MIN START TO FINISH: 15 MIN

The addition of the sweet vermouth here punctuates the natural sweetness of the canned tomatoes, making this quick sauce taste as if it's been simmered for hours.

- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 lb peeled large shrimp
- 3 large garlic cloves, forced through a garlic press
- 1/4 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1/2 cup sweet (red) vermouth
- 1 (14- to 15-oz) can diced tomatoes, drained
- 3/4 cup heavy cream
- 1/2 teaspoon fresh lemon juice
- 1/2 lb capellini (angel-hair pasta; see *Kitchen Notebook*, page 151)

► Heat oil in a 12-inch heavy skillet over medium-high heat until it shimmers, then

cook shrimp and garlic with oregano, 1/2 teaspoon salt, and 1/4 teaspoon pepper, turning once, until golden, about 2 minutes total. Stir in vermouth and tomatoes, scraping up any brown bits from bottom of skillet. Add cream and briskly simmer until sauce has thickened slightly, about 1 minute. Stir in lemon juice.

► Meanwhile, cook capellini in a pasta pot of boiling salted water (3 tablespoons salt for 6 quarts water) until al dente. Reserve 1 cup pasta-cooking water, then drain pasta. ► Serve immediately, topped with shrimp and sauce. Thin with some of reserved water if necessary.

BROILED CHICKEN AND ARTICHOKE

SERVES 4

ACTIVE TIME: 10 MIN START TO FINISH: 20 MIN

There's really no trick to recipes like this: Using moist, flavorful chicken thighs and good marinated artichoke hearts will result in a simple but memorable single-pan dish.

8 skinless boneless chicken thighs (2 1/2 lb)

12 oz bottled marinated artichoke hearts, drained and quartered if whole

3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil, divided

2 tablespoons chopped parsley

2 to 3 tablespoons grated parmesan

► Preheat broiler.

► Toss chicken and artichokes with 2 tablespoons oil, 1 teaspoon salt, and 1/2 teaspoon pepper in a bowl, then broil on rack of a broiler pan 3 inches from heat, turning chicken once (do not turn artichokes), until lightly browned and cooked through, about 10 minutes.

► Transfer chicken and artichokes to a platter and stir remaining tablespoon oil into chicken juices in bottom of broiler pan. Pour juices over chicken and sprinkle with parsley and cheese.

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Surprise! Sweet vermouth makes shrimp and pasta so lush and velvety that people will think you've been cooking all day.

