# DINNERLY



# Cheesy French Onion Mac & Readymade Chicken

with Mushrooms & Crispy Breadcrumbs

40min 💥 2 Servings

Ever had Fench onion soup and wished you could throw in some pasta? Well we can do even better than that. How about pasta shells + creamy cheese sauce + crispy breadcrumbs on top? Light up your inner Francophile by mixing in tender onions and mushrooms and sprinkling it all with fresh, herby thyme. We've got you covered!

# WHAT WE SEND

- 6 oz pasta shells<sup>2</sup>
- 1 yellow onion
- 4 oz mushrooms
- ¼ oz fresh thyme
- 1 oz panko<sup>2</sup>
- ¼ oz mushroom seasoning
- 2 (1 oz) cream cheese 1
- 2 (2 oz) shredded fontina<sup>1</sup>
- ½ lb pkg ready to heat chicken

### WHAT YOU NEED

- kosher salt & ground pepper
- 5 Tbsp butter <sup>1</sup>
- balsamic vinegar (or red wine vinegar)
- sugar
- all-purpose flour<sup>2</sup>
- 1 cup milk<sup>1</sup>

# TOOLS

- medium pot
- medium ovenproof skillet

### ALLERGENS

Milk (1), Wheat (2). May contain traces of other allergens. Packaged in a facility that packages gluten containing products.

#### NUTRITION PER SERVING

Calories 1150kcal, Fat 58g, Carbs 100g, Protein 61g



# 1. Cook pasta

Preheat broiler with a rack in the bottom.

Bring a medium pot of **salted water** to a boil over high heat. Add **pasta**; cook, stirring occasionally to avoid clumping, until al dente, 7–8 minutes. Reserve ½ **cup cooking water**, then drain.



# 2. Prep ingredients

Meanwhile, halve and thinly slice **onion**. Thinly slice **mushrooms**. Pick **half of the thyme leaves** from stems (save rest for own use); discard stems.

Melt1tablespoon butter in a small bowl. Stir in panko and <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> of the thyme. Season with salt and pepper.

Use your fingers or two forks to break **chicken** into bite-sized pieces.



3. Cook onions & mushrooms

Melt 2 tablespoons butter in a medium ovenproof skillet over medium heat. Add onions and mushrooms; season with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring occasionally, until softened and golden brown, 10–15 minutes.

Stir in chicken, mushroom seasoning, 1 tablespoon vinegar, and ¾ teaspoon sugar. Cook, stirring constantly, until liquid is just evaporated, 30–60 seconds.



4. Make sauce

Reduce heat to medium low. Stir in 2 tablespoons butter until melted. Stir in 2 teaspoons flour until fragrant, about 1 minute. Gradually whisk in 1 cup milk, reserved cooking water, and all of the cream cheese until smooth.

Off heat, stir in **half of the remaining thyme** and **all of the cheese** until melted and smooth.



5. Broil mac & cheese

Stir in **pasta** until evenly coated. Season to taste with **salt** and **pepper**. Evenly sprinkle with **panko mixture**. Broil on bottom oven rack until breadcrumbs are toasted, 1–3 minutes (watch closely as broilers vary).

Serve French onion mac and cheese with remaining thyme over top. Enjoy!



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