

## **VEGAN ITALIAN ORZO SOUP**

## INGREDIENTS

14 oz. Plant-Based Italian Sausage 2 T vegetable oil 1 large carrot, sliced 1 medium yellow onion, diced 1 - 2 ribs of celery, sliced 3 gloves garlic, diced ½ t crushed red pepper flakes 114.5 oz. can diced tomatoes 4 cups vegetable stock 1 T Italian seasoning 1.5 cups orzo, uncooked Handful of fresh kale Toppings: We recommend a generous sprinkle of Parmesan\* & some chopped fresh basil

\* or your favorite vegan alternative

TIME: 15 mins (Prep Time 10 mins / Cook Time 5 mins) SERVES: 8 TYPE: Vegan

## INSTRUCTIONS\_

QUICK TIP

- Heat vegetable oil in a large frying pan on medium heat. Add Italian sausage and cook for 5 minutes, breaking into crumbles as you stir. Set aside, leaving small portion of oil in pan.
- 2 Sauté the veggies: first carrots until browned, then add onions until brown, add celery until softened. Add garlic last and stir quickly while it browns.
- 3 Add crushed red pepper flakes. Simmer for 5 minutes. Add the diced tomatoes, stock and Italian seasoning. Cook until the soup reaches a simmer.
- Add in the orzo and cook until al dente about 8 minutes.
- 5 Add the kale, stir to wilt. Serve & enjoy!

Do you like a little heat? Spice it up with red pepper flakes

