

Stovetop Shells and Cheddar

with Crispy Breadcrumbs and Roasted Carrots

It's hard to improve upon the classic mac and cheese, but this stovetop version has an unbeatable twist: the pasta boils right in the sauce! This method makes for an ultra-creamy texture with minimal cleanup. A side of caramelized carrots is the perfect accompaniment.



35 min



level 1



veggie









Cheddar, shredded



Reduced Fat Milk



Yellow Onion



Panko



Carr

Ingredients		2 People	4 People	*Not Included
Shells	1)	6 oz	12 oz	
Cheddar, shredded	2)	1 C	2 C	
Reduced Fat Milk	2)	2 C	4 C	
Yellow Onion		1	2	
Panko	1) 3)	1/4 C	1/2 C	
Carrots		16 oz	32 oz	
Butter*	2)	2 T	4 T	
Olive Oil*		2 t	4 t	

Nutrition per person Calories: 758 cal | Fat: 40 g | Sat. Fat: 21 g | Protein: 30 g | Carbs: 71 g | Sugar: 26 g | Sodium: 684 mg | Fiber: 11 g

Make sure to wash and dry produce before prepping or cooking!



Roast the carrots: Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Peel then halve the carrots, then cut into wedges (like steak fries). Toss the carrots on a baking sheet with a drizzle of oil and a pinch of salt and **pepper**. Place in the oven for about 25-35 minutes, until soft and caramelized.



2 Halve, peel, and mince the **onion**. Heat **2 Tablespoons butter** in a medium oven-proof pan over medium heat. Add the **onion** to the pan and cook, tossing, for 5-6 minutes, until very soft. Add the milk and 1/2 cup water to the pan and bring to a boil. Add the pasta to the pan and cook, stirring very often, until the pasta is al dente and the sauce has thickened, for 10-12 minutes.



TIP: If the sauce becomes too thick before the pasta is al dente, simply add a splash of water.

3 A few minutes before the pasta is ready, remove the roasted carrots from the oven and set the broiler to high (or the oven to 500 degrees). In a small bowl, combine the panko with a drizzle of olive oil and a pinch of salt and pepper.



4 Remove the pan from heat and stir in the **cheddar cheese**. If you do not have an oven-proof pan, transfer the mixture to a small (8x8") baking dish. Sprinkle with the **panko mixture** and place under the broiler for 2-3 minutes, until golden brown.



5 Serve the **shells and cheddar** straight out of the skillet, with the roasted carrots to the side. Enjoy!