The Place, Importance and Variety of Pasta in Africa



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Presentation Topics

- Introduction: IPO and Oldways
- Pasta Production & Consumption figures
- Growth of pasta market
- Pasta as a staple for Africa
 - Why it makes sense
 - How can it be achieved, while still respecting culinary traditions?





Takeaway Messages

- Africa is a growth market for pasta
- Pasta is a healthy grain due to the way it is manufactured, its low glycemic index, and the food that goes with it
- Pasta is like a canvas. It is adaptable to all culinary traditions and dishes and tastes good
- It is convenient, easily transported, stored and cooked
- It is an environmental choice







The purpose of the IPO is to support the growth of world pasta market by explaining the concept and nutritional value of pasta. Our main goal is to increase consumption of pasta, so we:

- gather and disseminate quality information to consumers and
- develop ideas for communication and promotional activities that can boost the sector.

The International Pasta
Organization is a non-profit
association dedicated to
promote pasta consumption
and awareness around the
world.







Pasta & Healthy Pasta Meals

- A basic staple food used around the world
- Traditionally made from hard durum wheat semolina
- Is a slowly digested carbohydrate food
- Traditionally mixed with other healthy foods
- Component of traditional healthy meals





International Pasta Organisation

IPO brings together associations and representatives of pasta organizations from pasta producing countries.

Invitation to pasta companies in Africa to join with IPO. Francesca Ronca from IPO is here and hopes to talk with you.

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International Pasta Organisation

IPO organizes congresses and exhibitions with scientists and technical experts.

In support of its activities, IPO has also set up a Scientific Advisory Committee, consisting of internationally recognized experts in the field of pasta production, medicine and food science.

Currently, as many as 25 experts from 17 different countries participate in this Committee.





IPO Scientific Advisory Committee

- Supports IPO's work of spreading knowledge about the nutritional value and benefits of pasta in a healthy and balanced diet.
- Backs up IPO in carrying out communication activities on fundamental issues, such as the role of carbohydrates, and in particular pasta, in a correct diet and in the prevention of certain diseases.
- Ensures correct and authoritative information on the nutritional validity of the pasta product (in the framework of requests by the media, publications, researches, conferences, seminars, etc.).

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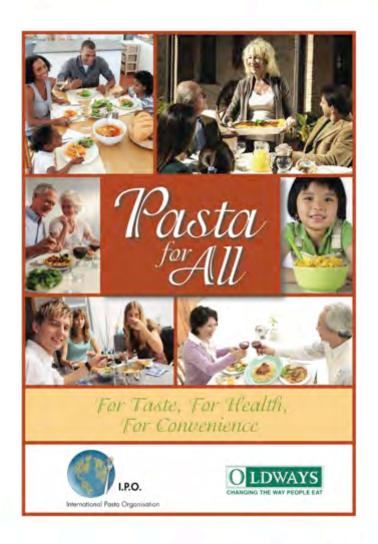
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Let the old ways be your guide to good health and well-being

Oldways is a nonprofit food and nutrition education organization, inspiring good health through cultural food traditions and lifestyles. We use practical and positive programs grounded in science and tradition. Simply, we advocate for the healthful pleasures of real food.





Founding of Oldways

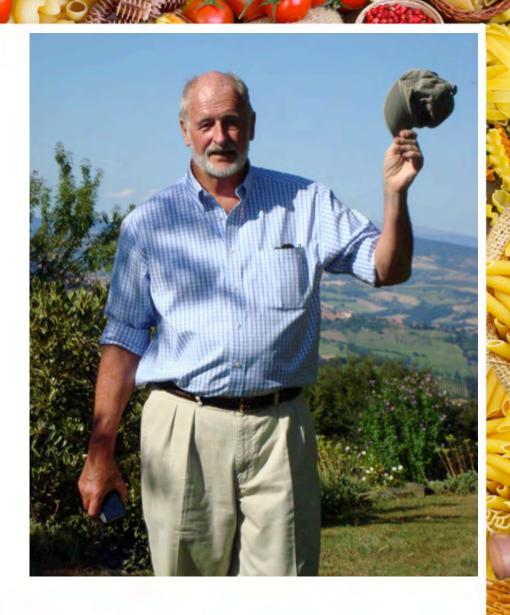
Dun Gifford started Oldways in 1990 to preserve and promote traditional foods – their agriculture, their sustainability, their preparations, connections to history and culture and their healthfulness.

Politics – Bobby & Ted Kennedy

AIWF + Julia Child

Trips to China and Northern Italy

His mission was to bring nutrition science together with food because we eat food, not nutrition.









A food and nutrition nonprofit inspiring **good health through cultural food traditions and lifestyles.**

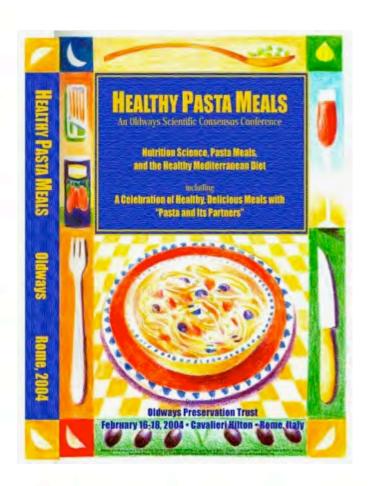
- Developed the Mediterranean Diet Pyramid with the Harvard School of Public Health in 1993
- Other cultural models for healthy eating: Latin America, Asia,
 African Heritage, Vegetarian & Vegan
- Whole Grains Council and Whole Grain Stamp (10,000 products in 41 countries)
- Healthy Pasta Meal Scientific Consensus Statement
- Supermarket programs
- Traditional Cheeses
- Culinary Travel

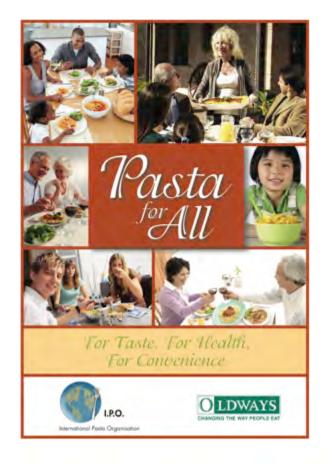














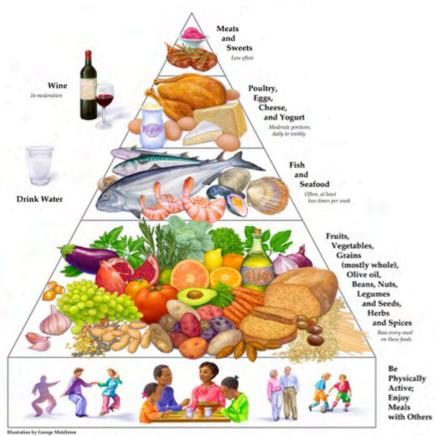


Health Through Heritage

The Power of Traditional Diets

Mediterranean
Asian
Latin American
African Heritage
Vegetarian

Mediterranean Diet Pyramid A contemporary approach to delicious, healthy eating



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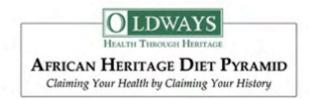


African Heritage & Health Program

Diabetes is not part of heritage. Neither is heart disease.

What is in heritage is a healthy heart, a strong body, extraordinary energy, vibrant & delicious foods, and a long, healthy life.

Heritage is the guide.

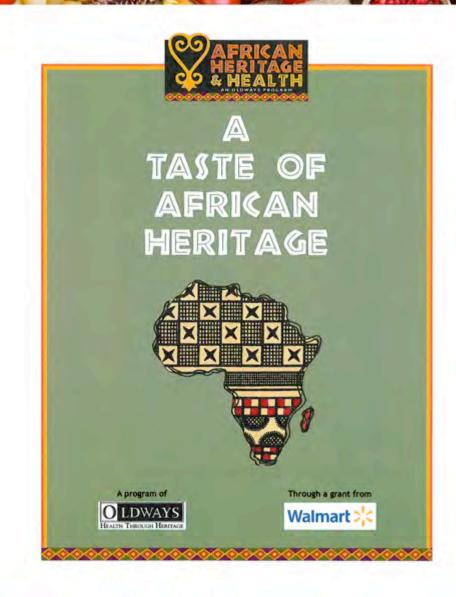








- A six lesson curriculum, to discover the major foods of the pyramid, and to learn how to easily prepare them.
- An introduction to the vibrant history, culture and nutrition of African heritage foods.
- An experiential guide to easily adapting African heritage eating patterns to modern life.
- A plant-based curriculum that teaches about the foods and preparation of them – recommended most by the African Heritage Diet Pyramid.













World Pasta Production

| 4 | | | |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|--------|
| Country | Tonnes | Country | Tonnes |
| Italy | 3,408,499 | Czech Republic | 70,000 |
| United States * | 2,000,000 | Hungary | 66,000 |
| Brazil | 1,204,900 | Rep. Dominicana | 65,000 |
| Turkey | 1,202,440 | Ecuador | 56,000 |
| Russia | 1,083,000 | Austria | 54,778 |
| | | | |
| Iran | 560,000 | Romania | 52,600 |
| Egypt | 400,000 | Australia | 50,000 |
| Argentina | 353,895 | Guatemala | 44,266 |
| Mexico | 337,000 | Switzerland | 43,140 |
| Germany | 334,179 | Bolivia | 43,000 |
| Venezuela | 329,540 | United Kingdom | 35,000 |
| Tunisia | 303,100 | Costa Rica | 23,490 |
| Peru | 278,890 | Netherlands | 23,335 |
| Spain | 260,288 | Slovak Republic | 22,000 |
| France | 241,573 | Sweden | 20,200 |
| Canada | 170,000 | Jordan | 20,000 |
| Greece | 170,000 | Croatia | 13,000 |
| Poland | 160,000 | El Salvador | 13,000 |
| Japan | 144,500 | Syria | 9,005 |
| Chile | 128,480 | Slovenia | 6,261 |
| Colombia | 118,647 | Lituania | 5,976 |
| India | 100,000 | Panama | 4,364 |
| South Africa | 91,000 | Latvia | 1,845 |
| Belgium | 77,500 | Estonia | 1,400 |
| Portugal | 77,500 | | |

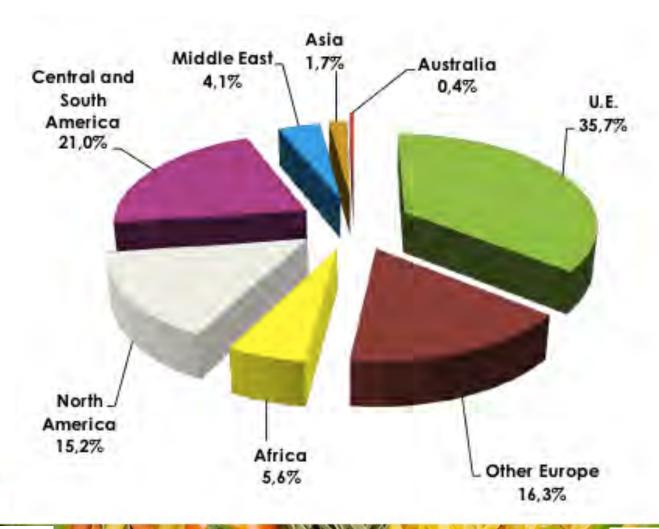
Source: Survey carried out by IPO – 2014 *Figures include dry pasta production for retail, foodservices and industrial use (dry pasta used as an input into value-added products, such as soups, prepared froxen foods, boxed pasta dinners, etc.).





Worldwide Pasta Production 2013

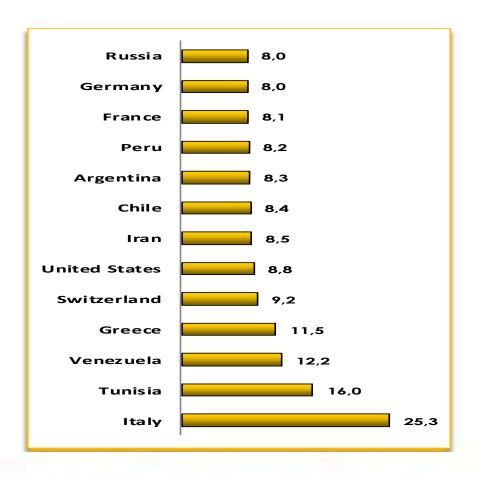
14.3 million tons







World Pasta Consumption (kg per person)



Source: Survey carried out by IPO – 2014





World Pasta Consumption (kg per person)

| Countries | kg per capita | Countries | kg per capita | |
|----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|--|
| Italy | 25.3 | Poland | 5.2 | |
| Tunisia | 16.0 | Slovak Republic | 5.0 | |
| Venezuela | 12.2 | Slovenia | 4.9 | |
| Greece | 11.5 | Bolivia | 4.8 | |
| Switzerland | 9.2 | Netherlands | 4.4 | |
| United States | 8.8 | Lituania | 4.4 | |
| Iran | 8.5 | Latvia | 4.1 | |
| Chile | 8.4 | Dominican Rep. | 4.0 | |
| Argentina | 8.3 | Australia | 4.0 4.0 | |
| Peru | 8.2 | Israel | | |
| France | 8.1 | Ecuador | 3.9 | |
| Germany | 8.0 | Panama | 3.8 | |
| Russia | 8.0 | Costa Rica | 3.8 | |
| Uruguay | 7.5 | Finland | 3.2 | |
| Croatia | 7.5 | Guatemala | 3.0 | |
| Sweden | 7.0 | Colombia | 2.7 | |
| Turkey | 6.8 | Romania | 2.7 | |
| Portugal | 6.7 | United Kingdom | 2.5 | |
| Canada | 6.5 | Mexico | 2.3 | |
| Hungary | 6.4 | Denmark | 2.0 | |
| Iran | 6.2 | Libya | 2.0 | |
| Brazil | 6.0 | South Africa | 1.9 | |
| Czech Republic | 6.0 | Japan | 1.7 | |
| Austria | 5.6 | Egypt | 1.2 | |
| Belgium – Lux. | 5.4 | Ireland | 1.0 | |
| Estonia | 5.3 | El Salvador | 1.0 | |
| Spain | 5.3 | | | |

IPO Survey 2014

Source:





World Pasta Consumption (tonnes)

| Countries | Tonnes | Countries | Tonnes |
|----------------|-----------|----------------|---------|
| United States | 2,700,000 | Greece | 127,000 |
| Italy | 1,507,145 | South Africa | 91,000 |
| Brazil | 1,204,900 | Netherland | 89,071 |
| Russia | 1,151,359 | Switzerland | 73,130 |
| Germany | 654,371 | Portugal | 70,000 |
| Turkey | 516,107 | Romania | 68,531 |
| France | 512,465 | Sweden | 67,637 |
| Venezuela | 366,625 | Austria | 67,171 |
| Iran | 360,000 | Hungary | 63,986 |
| Argentina | 343,657 | Czech Republic | 60,000 |
| Mexico | 279,876 | Ecuador | 54,800 |
| Spain | 251,616 | Slovakia | 50,052 |
| Peru | 244,600 | Guatemala | 44,627 |
| Colombia | 230,984 | Croatia | 32,086 |
| Poland | 202,940 | Belgium | 23,167 |
| Tunisia | 172,800 | Costa Rica | 17,990 |
| Chile | 146,968 | Slovenia | 9,817 |
| United Kingdom | 135,000 | China | 9,531 |

Source: IPO Survey 2014





Reporting Countries Export Statistics (Partner Country: World)

UDG: Pasta: 3 voci, 190211, 190219, 190220

Calendar Year: 2011 - 2013

| D | Unit | 2011 2012 | | | 2013 | | |
|-------------------|------|------------|----------|------------|----------|------------|-------------|
| Reporting Country | | EUR | Quantity | EUR | Quantity | EUR | Quantity |
| Reporting Total | Т | 3821517547 | 3556498 | 4166972428 | 3719856 | 4381598634 | 4083544 |
| Italy | Т | 1813483250 | 1770201 | 1938542970 | 1803883 | 2013667750 | 1901354 |
| Turkey | Т | 172705572 | 339575 | 241061116 | 436346 | 348707866 | 643206 |
| Belgium | Т | 202667820 | 126422 | 216228730 | 136122 | 198162390 | 128507 |
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Reporting Countries Import Statistics (Partner Country: World)

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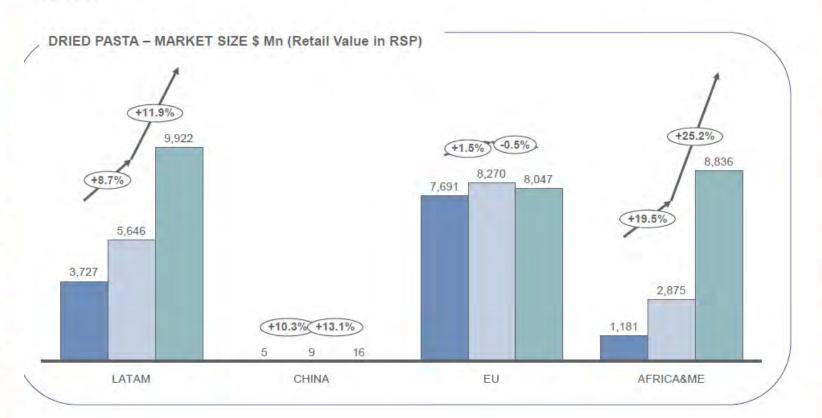
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Dried Pasta

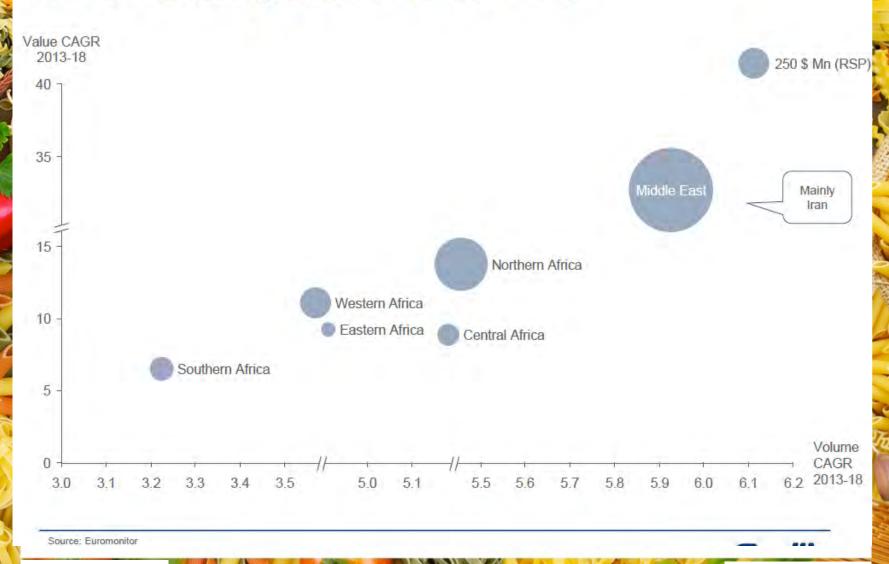
In the Dried Pasta Market the Africa & Middle East Region will register an important increase







Most Promising Cluster Dried Pasta



HEALTH THROUGH HERITAGE

Pasta as a staple for Africa

Why does it make sense?

- Health
- Convenience
- Sustainability
- Cost
- Easy storage/low waste
- Tastes good

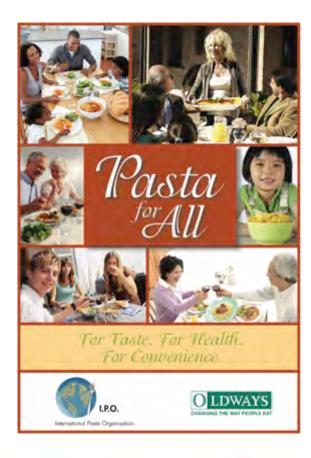
How can it be achieved, while still respecting culinary traditions?

 Pasta is versatile and easily adaptable to national, regional and seasonal cuisines and ingredients.





Health







- Scientific research increasingly supports the importance of total diet, rather than individual foods and nutrients.
- Pasta is a key component of many of the world's traditional healthy eating patterns, such as the scientifically proven Mediterranean Diet. Traditional dietary patterns confer greater health benefits than current Western dietary patterns.





Many clinical trials confirm that excess calories, and not carbohydrates are responsible for obesity. Diets successful in promoting weight loss can emphasize a range of healthy carbohydrates, protein and fat. These three macronutrients, in balance, are essential for designing a healthy, individualized diet anyone can follow for their whole life. Moreover, very low-carb diets may not be safe, especially in the long term.





- 4. At a time when obesity and diabetes are rising around the world, pasta meals and other low-glycemic foods may help control blood sugar and weight especially in overweight people. Glycemic index is one of many factors that impact the healthfulness of foods.
- 5. Pasta is an affordable healthy choice available in almost all societies. Promoting the affordability and accessibility of pasta meals can help overcome the misperception that healthy foods are too expensive.





- Healthy pasta meals are a delicious way to eat more vegetables, legumes and other healthy foods often under-consumed.
- 7. Pasta meals are enjoyed in cultural traditions worldwide, as they are versatile and easily adaptable to national/regional seasonal ingredients.
- 8. Doctors, nutritionists and other health professionals should recommend varied and balanced pasta meals for good health.





Convenience

- Cooks quickly and easily
- Partners with almost every food
- Shelf stable







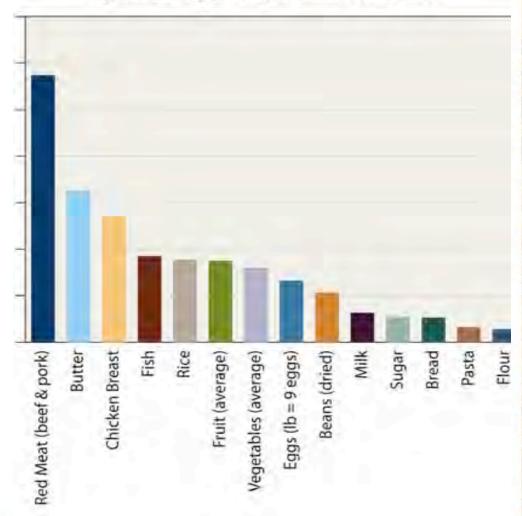
Pasta an Environmental Choice

Food accounts for a sizable portion of our emissions. Of course, we all must eat. But, if you want to make cuts here, your best option is to reduce your consumption of meat, especially beef. That's because a pound of beef is responsible for some EIGHTEEN TIMES the emissions of a pound of pasta.

An average family of four that decides to cut their meat intake in half could avoid roughly three tons of emissions annually.

From the Union of Concerned Scientists

Comparisons of Global Warming Emissions by Food Type (by Pound or Pint)







Cost and Storage

COST

While the cost of pasta is higher than wheat, it is a lower cost food that can be used with other staples.

STORAGE

Shelf life of pasta is 1-2 years.

It is also easily transported.







GOOD TASTE

PASTA: A CANVAS FOR NATIONAL, REGIONAL AND LOCAL FOOD TRADITIONS THROUGHOUT AFRICA





ETHIOPIA

A spaghetti dish that Ethiopians made their own with the berbere spice blend commonly used in Ethiopian and Eritrean cooking.



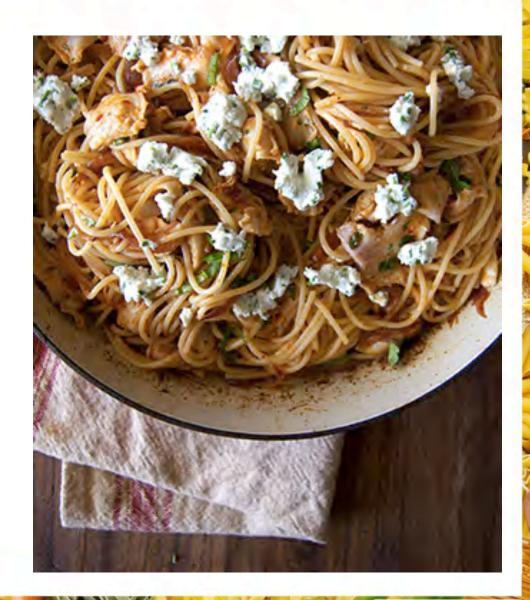




ETHIOPIA

Another dish from Ethiopia – **Trout Spaghetti**

This recipe is uniquely Ethiopian due to its use of berbere which is cooked with other aromatics and olive oil to create a light but spicy and complex sauce. The dish incorporates barely "ceviched" slices of trout and adds a bright note in this dish.







NORTH AFRICA

Red Penne is a perfect example of using pasta as the canvas for the great tastes and spices of North Africa – Harissa, potatoes, pasta







KENYA

Lunch of **chicken carbonara sauce with pasta**, squash soup, rolls and a beetroot pineapple salad.

At dinner we see some traditional Kenyan food as Ugali (cornmeal cooked to a doughy consistency) and sukuma wiki (sauteed kale) are always served. Along with those two staples there is always meat (chicken, beef ,fish and/or lamb), pasta, rice or potatoes.







EGYPT

Kosheri is an Egyptian version of the Kichri (kitchree,khitche rie) of India, which is always a combination of rice and lentils, and in Egypt includes pasta.







SOMALIA

Galaamuddo is somewhat reminiscent of the Italian pasta known as Pici, but there are differences. The Bravanese (Brava, Somalia) mix broth into the dough which imparts a flavour to the noodles. The noodles are then cooked in broth providing a second layer of flavour. The noodles are also much shorter than Pici and are rolled in the palms of the hands.







SOMALIA

Baasto Toonno

Chunks of fresh tomatoes, olives, tuna, garlic, fresh basil, extra virgin olive oil, and parmesan cheese

From a Somali food blog – xawaash

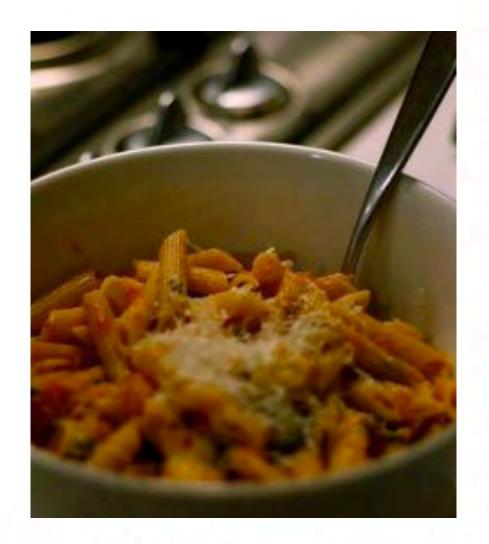






SOUTH AFRICA

Pasta with brinjal, tomato and mozzarella is an easy vegetarian pasta dish. Chicken can be added for the meat eaters.







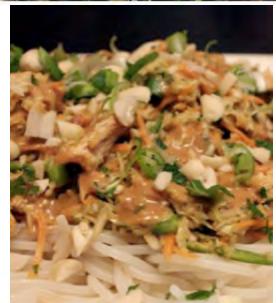
WEST AFRICA

Greens with Peanuts

This simpler form of the recipe, made with cassava leaves, is called "Feuilles de Manioc aux Arachides" all over French-speaking Central Africa.

Pasta can be the canvas, added to this dish for authentic local and and regional tastes.









ZAMBIA

Greens with Peanut Sauce

Another version of greens with peanut sauce. Pasta is an alternative for the side dish.







WEST AFRICA

Benachin

Benachin is a "one pot" dish related to Jollof Rice and Ceebu Jen. They are all rice and....dishes. Rice and whatever else is available that strikes the cook's fancy.

This same principle can be applied to pasta and....dishes. Pasta is the canvas!







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Thank you





