



# STEAMED GARLIC BUTTER CLAMS WITH SAMPHIR E AND TAGLIATELLE IN A CREAMY TOMATO SAUCE

### Serves: 4 as a main course

## INGREDIENTS

- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 small onion, peeled and finely diced
- 1 clove garlic, peeled and minced
- 2 tbsp tomato puree
- 1 tsp dried thyme
- <sup>1</sup>⁄<sub>2</sub> tsp chilli flakes (optional)
- 500g passata
- 1 tsp sugar
- ¼ tsp salt
- ¼ tsp black pepper
- 4 tbsp double cream
- 500 g fresh tagliatelle

Clams and samphire:

- 500 g clams in shells
- 3 cloves garlic, peeled and minced
- 2 tbsp unsalted butter, melted
- 4 tbsp white wine
- 90 g samphire

#### To Serve:

- Pinch of chilli flakes
- 2 tbsp grated parmesan cheese
- 2 tbsp finely chopped fresh chives

## INSTRUCTIONS

- Preheat the oven to Full Steam and place a large pan of water on to boil for the pasta.
- 2. Heat the oil in a large frying pan over a medium-high heat. Add the onion and cook, stirring regularly, for 5 minutes until softened.
- 3. Add the garlic, tomato puree, thyme and chilli flakes and stir together to coat the onion. Cook for 2 minutes.
- 4. Add the passata, sugar, salt and pepper. Stir, then turn down the heat and allow to simmer for 10 minutes, to thicken, whilst you prepare the clams.
- 5. Rinse the clams under cold water, discarding any that are open. Place the clams into a large solid steam tray.
- 6. Mix together the garlic and melted butter and pour over the clams. Pour over the wine.



- 7. Place in the oven and steam for 3 minutes, then add in the samphire and steam for a further 2-3 minutes until the samphire is tender and the clams open.
- 8. Meanwhile, cook the fresh pasta in the boiling water for 5 minutes. Drain and add to the frying pan with the tomato sauce. Stir through the cream and allow to heat through for a minute, then turn off the heat.
- 9. Transfer the tagliatelle to a large serving bowl. Top with the clams (discard any that haven't opened) and samphire, draining off any excess liquid.
- **10.** Sprinkle on chilli flakes, grated parmesan and chopped chives, serve immediately.

