LOBSTER MAC N' CHEESE

Servings 4 - 6

Ingredients

2 Tbsp unsalted butter

1.5 Tbsp all-purpose flour

3 cups 1/2 &1/2

3 cups Monterey jack cheese, shredded

2 cups sharp cheddar cheese, shredded

1 tsp salt, plus 1 tbsp for boiling pasta

1 tsp black pepper

1/2 tsp nutmeg, ground

8 oz package Aquamar Surimi Lobster Chunks

8 oz (1/2 box) cavatappi pasta

1/3 cup panko (or regular unseasoned) breadcrumbs

13" x 9" x 2" baking dish

Non-stick spray (vegetable or olive oil)



Instructions

- 1. Preheat oven to 400° F and spray or oil 9" x 13" x 2" baking dish
- 2. in large pot, bring 2 quarts water and 1 tbsp salt to boil and add cavatappi pasta. Bring to rolling boil, stirring occasionally until desired tenderness, 9-11 minutes. Drain and rinse with cold water to cool completely. Drain and set aside.
- 3. in a large, heavy bottom saucepan, melt butter on medium heat, add flour, and whisk together. Cook until bubbly. Add 1/2 & 1/2 1 cup at a time while whisking constantly until it reaches a smooth, creamy texture.
- 4. Stir in salt, black pepper, nutmeg, and 3 cups of Monterey jack cheese 1 cup at a time until all is melted and smooth. Remove from heat.
- 5. Add noodles and lobster chunks to sauce and fold all together until well blended.
- 6. Transfer mixture into baking dish with silicone or rubber spatula and spread mixture level.
- 7. Sprinkle sharp cheddar cheese evenly over entire dish and dust top with panko crumbs.
- 8. Bake on top rack of preheated oven for 20 minutes or until golden brown on top. Serve immediately.

For a more flavorful and spicy option, try substituting Pepper jack for the Monterey jack, and add 2 tbsp chopped jalapeno peppers to the noodle/sauce mix.

