CREAMY PASTA WITH CHARD AND TOMATOES

from the Joy of Cooking cookbook

Ingredients

- 1 Tbsp olive oil
- 1/4 cup chopped onion
 - 2 cloves garlic, minced
- $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp crushed red pepper flakes
 - 2 large ripe tomatoes, chopped, OR
 - 1 cup chopped drained canned tomatoes
 - 1 bunch chard (approx. 1 lb) trimmed, cut crosswise into ½-inch strips
 - 3/4 cup heavy cream
 - 2 salt and black pepper to taste
 - 8 oz fettuccine or egg noodles
 - ³/₄ cup grated Parmesan cheese (about 3 oz)

Preparation

- 1. Heat olive oil in a large saucepan over medium-high heat.
- **2.** Add onion, garlic and red pepper flakes. Cook, stirring occasionally, until soft and golden, 2 to 3 minutes.
- **3.** Add tomatoes and cook, stirring occasionally, until most of the liquid is evaporated, about 5 minutes.
- 4. Add chard and cook, stirring until chard has wilted, about 2 minutes.
- Add heavy cream, salt and pepper. Cook 2 minutes or until bubbling, then remove from heat
- 6. Cook fettuccine or egg noodles, when ready, drain, then toss with sauce, adding the parmesan.