

MacN"Cheese"

Prep Time: 20 minutes | Total Time: 1 hour | Cost \$\$

## Ingredients

16oz elbow macaroni

3 tbsp vegan butter

2 tsp seasoned salt, plus salt to taste

1 tsp granulated garlic

1 tsp granulated onion

1/4 tsp cayenne pepper

1/4 tsp sweet paprika

1 cup nut or soy milk

1 large yukon gold potato, peeled and diced

1 large carrot, peeled and diced

3/4 cup hot water (from boiled vegetables)

1/2 cup raw cashews

2 tbsp plus one teaspoon nutritional yeast

1 tbsp fresh lemon juice

1-8oz package of vegan cheddar cheese \*optional

**Tools:** High Speed Blender **Skill level:** Intermediate

**Notes:** To reheat, add a bit more milk to create

creamy texture.

## **Directions**

- In a large pot bring 4 quarts of water to a rolling boil, add macaroni and cook for 8 to 10 minutes. use a strainer basket or slotted spoon to remove pasta from boiling water
- 2. While macaroni is still hot, transfer to a glass baking dish, and add vegan butter, seasoned salt, granulated garlic, cayenne pepper, and paprika and stir until macaroni is coated with butter and seasonings
- 3. Add potatoes and carrots to boiling water used to cook pasta and cook until tender. Strain veggies and reserve 3/4 cup of the remaining liquid
- 4. In a blender, add cashews, veggie mixture, reserved water, nut milk, lemon juice and sautéed onions and blend until smooth
- 5. Pour sauce over noodles and stir vegan cheddar until combined, cover and bake for 15 minutes at 350°. Serve immediately.