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# **BLUE MOON BEETS**

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### **Spring Things**

Green garlic, also known as spring garlic or baby garlic, is a young garlic plant harvested in early spring before the bulbs mature. It has a white base, flat green leaves, and a pink or purple bulb that resembles a green onion. Green garlic has a milder, sweeter, and fresher taste than regular garlic, and is sharp when eaten raw but mellows when cooked





## Health Benefits of Green Garlic

Green Garlic is packed with an antioxidant called Allicin. It works as an active ingredient in reducing cholesterol, reduces inflammation in the body, prevents cold, cough and flu. Apart from that this powerful antioxidant helps in boosting immunity and helps in cell regeneration caused due to oxidative stress.

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## Alice Waters' Spaghetti with Green Garlic Recipe

- 1. Bring a large pot of salted water to boil and add the spaghetti. Cook until al dente, reserving 1 cup of pasta cooking water before draining.
- 2. Meanwhile, heat the olive oil in a large (3-quart) saucepan over medium heat until shimming. Add the garlic, parsley, red pepper flakes, and 1/4 cup of water.
- 3. Cover and sweat, stirring occasionally, until soft, adding more water if necessary to keep the garlic from caramelizing too much.
- 4. Add the cooked pasta to the garlic mixture and toss well to combine. Add some pasta cooking water if necessary to bring the dish to a creamy consistency. Serve with more olive oil and the minced tops of the green garlic, if desired.

#### Ingredients

Salt 1 pound spaghetti 1/3 cup extra-virgin olive oil 3 heads green garlic (or 4 cloves regular garlic), thinly sliced 1 tablespoon chopped parsley Small pinch of red pepper flakes









