Modernist Mac and Cheese

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Servings: 5

2 cups elbow macaroni
1 1/8 cups milk or water
2 1/4 teaspoons sodium citrate
2 1/2 cups white Cheddar cheese,
finely grated
salt to taste

Bring a large pot of water to a boil. Add the pasta and cook al dente, 5 to 6 minutes. Drain the pasta, but do not rinse it.

Meanwhile, in a medium saucepan over medium heat, whisk together the milk or water and sodium citrate. Bring to a simmer. Add the cheese, a spoonful at a time, stirring well between additions. Continue stirring until the cheese is melted and steaming, then transfer the sauce to a food processor. Process until completely smooth, about 30 seconds.

Transfer the cheese sauce immediately back to the saucepan and return to the heat. Once the sauce is hot, add the pasta and stir until coated.

Season with salt.

Per Serving (excluding unknown items): 85 Calories; trace Fat (3.9% calories from fat); 3g Protein; 17g Carbohydrate; 1g Dietary Fiber; 0mg Cholesterol; 2mg Sodium. Exchanges: 1 Grain(Starch).

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Calories (kcal):	85	Vitamin B6 (mg):	trace
% Calories from Fat:	3.9%	Vitamin B12 (mcg):	0mcg
% Calories from Carbohydrates:	82.1%	Thiamin B1 (mg):	.2mg
% Calories from Protein:	14.0%	Riboflavin B2 (mg):	.1mg
Total Fat (g):	trace	Folacin (mcg):	4mcg
Saturated Fat (g):	trace	Niacin (mg):	2mg
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Monounsaturated Fat (g):	trace	Caffeine (mg):	
Polyunsaturated Fat (g):	trace	Alcohol (kcal):	0
Cholesterol (mg):	0mg	% Dafusa	በ በ%
Carbohydrate (g):	17g	Food Exchanges	
Dietary Fiber (g): Protein (g):	1g 3g	Grain (Starch):	1
Sodium (mg):	2mg	Lean Meat: Vegetable: Fruit: Non-Fat Milk: Fat:	0
Potassium (mg): Calcium (mg):	37mg 4mg		0
Iron (mg): Zinc (mg):	1mg trace		0
Vitamin C (mg): Vitamin A (i.u.):	0mg 0IU	Other Carbohydrates:	0
Vitamin A (r.e.):	0RE		

Nutrition Facts

Servings per Recipe: 5

Calories 85	Calories from Fat: 3
	% Daily Values*
Total Fat trace	1%
Saturated Fat trace	0%
Cholesterol Omg	0%
Sodium 2mg	0%
Total Carbohydrates 17g	6%
Dietary Fiber 1g	2%
Protein 3g	
Vitamin A	0%
Vitamin C	0%
Calcium	0%
Iron	5%

^{*} Percent Daily Values are based on a 2000 calorie diet.