



#### YOUR PARTNER IN FOOD SINCE 1902

Lupa Foods is a UK based full-service B2B partner to the food industry.

With a global and domestic sourcing footprint, we provide a selection of more than 600 bespoke and commodity products, combined with services that include NPD, technical, procurement, logistics and business.

Innovation and a customer centric approach is at the forefront of everything we do, and our 120 years' experience the foundation we build our customers' success on.





Our pasta catalogue shares some general information about pasta, our exclusive Italian partner and the range of products we can offer. If you need further assistance please contact us to discuss your specific requirements.

Pasta is a staple food in many countries, particularly in Italy, where it has been made for centuries. Coming in many different shapes and sizes, each with its own unique name and purpose. For example, spaghetti is long and thin, making it perfect for dishes with a lot of sauce, while penne is short and tube-shaped, which makes it ideal for salads or pasta bakes.

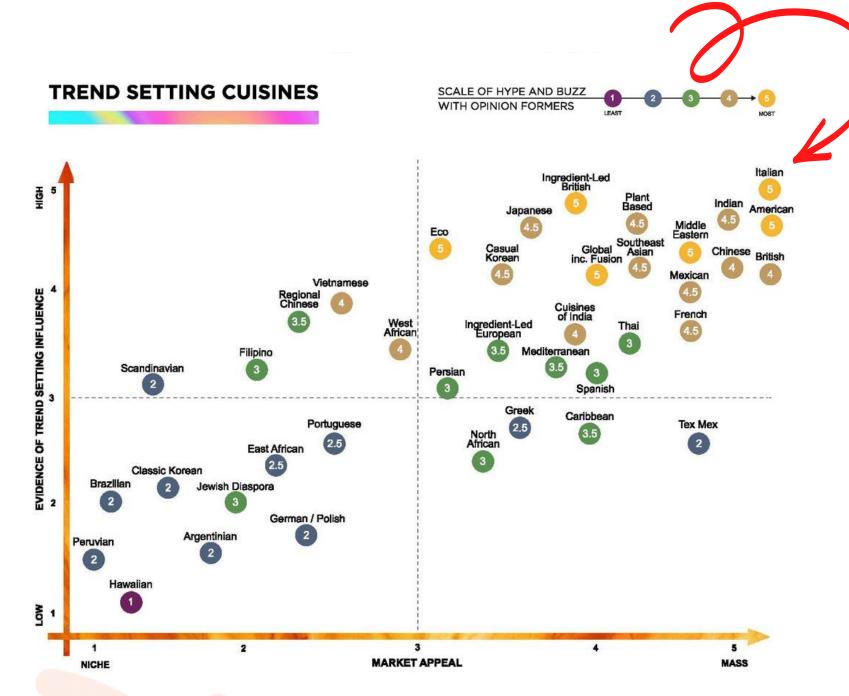
#### Pasta offers great versatility:

- Easy to make and can be prepared in many different ways, from boiling it and serving it with sauce, to baking it in a casserole dish.
- Can be served as a standalone dish, a side dish, or as part of a larger course.
- It's a blank canvas that can be paired with a wide variety of sauces and toppings, from traditional tomato sauce to more unconventional options like pesto or cream sauce.
- It can be prepared ahead of time, meaning it is great for meal prepping, or in food manufacturing where double cooking is required.
- You also find gluten-free options that can suit many dietary restrictions.

All in all, pasta's adaptability and range of different variations makes it the foundation to many mouth-watering dishes.



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**TOP 10 TRENDS** 

2023-24

#### **Italian Cuisine: Mamma Mia**

Italian cuisine has been a popular trend in the food industry for many years. It is known for its use of fresh ingredients, simple preparation methods, and hearty flavours. Pizza and pasta dishes are some of the most well-known and beloved Italian foods, but the cuisine also includes a wide variety of other dishes such as risotto, lasagne, and gelato. Italian cuisine has also been influenced by regional and seasonal ingredients, as well as the immigrant communities that have brought their own unique flavours to the country. Italian food has become increasingly popular globally, and many Italian restaurants can be found in most major cities.



When it comes to supplying pasta, managing and mitigating market conditions is crucial from a commercial perspective. Therefore we have taken the necessary steps to ensure we deliver the best service and products to our customers.

- We have diversified our suppliers and built strong relationships with them. Creating transparency that enables us to understand and help manage fluctuating costs of production. This also ensures we have the widest selection of products available to our customers.
- Having options for both premium and cost-effective pasta products, we can cater to different customer environments and budgets.
- Our flexibility in transportation and distribution options means we can hold stock in our warehouse for quick turnaround time or deliver full containers direct from suppliers.
- We work closely with customers to understand their specific needs and requirements and adjust accordingly.

#### **Our product offering includes:**

- Dry or Fresh pasta
  - Standard, wholewheat, blends, egg and gluten-free options
- Variety of categories and shapes
- Different dies: bronze or teflon
- Selection of packaging formats
- Ambient, chilled or frozen (IQF)

Speak to one of our Account Managers to better understand what we can offer from a service and product point of view.



# DIRIED VS EXESTEDASEA

Dry pasta and fresh pasta are two types of pasta that are made differently and have distinct characteristics.

**Dry pasta** is made from wheat flour and water, and is typically sold in a box or package. The pasta is extruded through a die to create the desired shape and then it is left to dry completely before being packaged and sold. Dry pasta has a longer shelf life than fresh pasta and can be stored in a pantry or cupboard for several months. It also cooks for longer than fresh pasta, usually taking around 8-12 minutes to cook.

Fresh pasta, on the other hand, is made with wheat flour and eggs. The eggs act as a binding agent and also give the pasta a slightly yellow colour. The pasta dough is typically made by mixing together the flour and eggs, then kneading it until it is smooth and pliable. The dough is then rolled out and cut into the desired shape. Fresh pasta is usually made and sold in a short time frame and is usually consumed soon after it is made. However, innovation in different packaging types have allowed manufacturers to extend the shelf-life of fresh ambient pasta. It also cooks faster than dried pasta, usually taking around 2-4 minutes to cook.

In terms of taste and texture, fresh pasta tends to have a more delicate and "eggy" flavour, with a slightly more tender texture, while dried pasta tends to have a more toothy texture and more of the wheat-y flavour. Some people prefer the more delicate texture and flavour of fresh pasta, while others prefer the more robust texture and flavour of dried pasta.

It is also worth mentioning that some pasta shapes and recipe call for one or the other, with certain shapes like lasagna, fettuccine, and some stuffed pasta that traditionally are made with fresh pasta, while other shapes like spaghetti, penne, and rigation traditionally are made with dried pasta.



Durum wheat semolina is the most common type of wheat used to make pasta because it is high in gluten, which gives pasta its characteristic firm texture and ability to hold its shape when cooked. Durum wheat is also a very hard variety of wheat, which means it can withstand the high-energy process of being ground into semolina flour without losing its nutritional value. It has higher protein and gluten content than other wheat varieties.

Durum semolina plays a major role in the quality of pasta, its performance, and its ability to withstand rigorous cooking methods due to its high protein content. Pasta is a combination of proteins and carbohydrates and these two components react in opposite ways during the boiling process. Carbohydrates tend to escape and soften, causing the pasta to break and change the water colour, while proteins act as a structural mesh to contain the softening process and maintain the pasta's shape and firmness.

Pasta made with durum wheat semolina has a yellow colour and a nutty, somewhat sweeter flavour than pasta made with other types of wheat. It's more resistant to overcooking and breaking, making it a more durable and consistent product than other types of pasta.

It's important to note that some people are gluten intolerant and pasta made with durum wheat semolina can cause allergic reactions for them, for that reason some alternative pasta options made with non-gluten grains like corn, rice, or quinoa exist in the market.





The difference between pasta extruded through a **bronze die** or a **Teflon die** lies in the manufacturing process.

Pasta extruded through a **bronze die** is made using traditional techniques that have been used for centuries. The pasta dough is extruded through a die made of bronze, which gives the pasta a rough, porous surface. This rough surface allows the pasta to better hold onto sauces and seasonings, which gives it a more authentic texture and flavour. In addition, the bronze die is not smooth like Teflon die, but has small grooves and textures, which will give a more rustic appearance to the pasta.

Pasta extruded through a **Teflon die**, on the other hand, is made using more modern technology. The pasta dough is extruded through a die made of Teflon, which is a type of plastic. Teflon dies are smoother than bronze dies, so the pasta that is extruded through them has a smoother surface. This smooth surface can make the pasta less able to hold onto sauces and seasonings, but it makes the pasta more consistent in shape and can improve the texture of the pasta itself.

Some producers also believe that bronze die pasta may have a slightly longer cook time, due to the nature of the surface, and may also have a slightly different nutritional profile, as the surface may absorb some of the cooking water and give some of its minerals to the pasta. Both types of pasta are excellent flavour carriers and the difference is neglectable (to most).

The choice between the two often comes down to personal preference. Some people prefer the authentic texture and flavour of pasta extruded through a bronze die, while others prefer the smooth texture and consistent shape of pasta extruded through a Teflon die.



# PASTA CATEGORIES

Pasta shapes can generally be divided into a few different categories, based on their shape and texture:

- Long pasta: This includes pasta shapes like spaghetti, fettuccine, and linguine that are long and thin. They are typically paired with light sauces, as they are best at holding the sauce in the grooves and crevices.
- Short pasta: This includes pasta shapes like penne, rigatoni, and macaroni that are short and typically have a hollow center. These are perfect for chunky sauces or pasta salads because they can hold a lot of sauce in the center.
- **Ribbon pasta**: These are pasta shapes like pappardelle and fettuccine that are wide and flat, similar to long pasta. They are typically paired with rich, meaty sauces.
- Stuffed or filled pasta: These include pasta shapes like ravioli and tortellini that are filled with a variety of fillings such as meat, cheese, or vegetables. They are typically paired with light sauces, so as not to overpower the filling.
- Tiny pasta: These are tiny pasta shapes like orzo and farfalle, are perfect for pasta salads or soups.
- Large pasta: These can be pappardelle, fusilloni, conchiglioni, lasagne, manicotti, and cannelloni. These shapes are typically used in baked pasta dishes, and can be filled with various ingredients such as meat, cheese, and vegetables.
- Specialty pasta: there are some pasta shapes that are traditional or specific to certain regions, like cavatelli, orecchiette, fusilli, gnocchi, and many more.

It's worth noting that these categories are not strict and some pasta shapes can be used interchangeably. Pasta is a versatile food and chefs and cooks often use their creativity to come up with new ways to serve pasta and new recipes that can take advantage of pasta's adaptability.



There are several benefits to using dried or frozen pasta in food manufacturing.

#### Dried pasta:

- Long shelf life (typically several months) allows for easy storage and distribution.
- Consistent texture and quality, making it versatile in a variety of dishes.
- Can be produced in large quantities quickly, which is useful for mass production or supplying pasta to large food service operations.

#### • Frozen (IQF) pasta:

- Longer shelf life than fresh pasta (typically several months to a year) and can be easily stored and transported.
- o Freezing pasta can help to preserve its texture, flavour, and nutritional value.
- Allows for large quantities to be produced quickly, which can be useful for mass production or supplying pasta to large food service operations.

Overall, both dried and frozen pasta offer convenience and cost-effectiveness for food manufacturers, depending on their specific needs and goals. It is also worth noting that frozen pasta can have a fresher taste than dried pasta, but will require more space for storage.



# VALDIGRANO® PASTA

Valdigrano, a family-owned business founded in 1997, has deep roots in the pasta-making industry. For over seventy years, three generations of the Pagani family have been producing Italian pasta with passion and dedication. The factory, located in Rovato in the heart of Franciacorta, is cutting-edge and innovative, both in terms of the facility and in terms of the production technologies used, guaranteeing efficiency, safety, and quality.

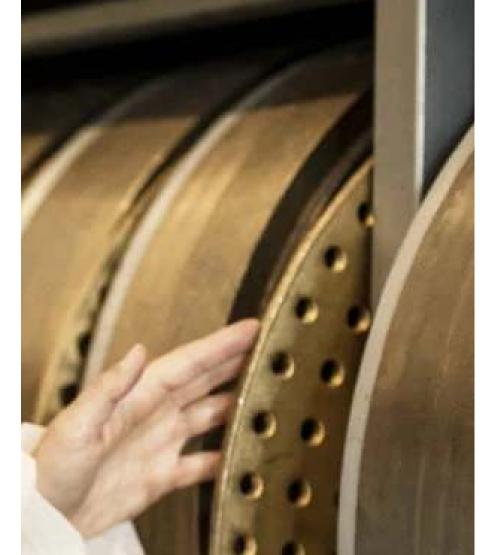
The company's long-standing relationship with Lupa Foods, their first customer outside of Italy, has developed into an exclusive partnership for the UK region. Over the decades, the synergy between the two companies has grown stronger, with Lupa Foods importing over 13,000 metric tonnes of pasta from Valdigrano to the UK annually.

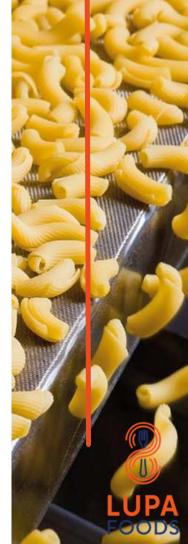
Lupa Foods manages the entire supply chain and logistics of importing the pasta from Italy to the UK, including handling all the complexities that come with importing and logistics such as customs clearance, freight forwarding, and compliance with UK regulations. This allows Valdigrano to focus on producing high-quality pasta, while Lupa Foods ensures that the pasta reaches its destination on time and in perfect condition.

To meet the demands of our customers, Lupa Foods has the capability to hold stock in the UK, which enables us to quickly fulfill orders and reduce lead times. We can also arrange for containers to be delivered directly to customers within the UK, providing a flexible and efficient supply chain solution.

This partnership allows Valdigrano to focus on providing their delicious pasta to a wider market, while Lupa Foods is able to provide their customers with a reliable and consistent supply of high-quality pasta.









#### Durum wheat semolina pasta

250 g, 500 g, 1 kg, 3 kg and 5 kg packaging



22.100 Sqm Surface area of factory 110 mployees 70 Years of history

9 Production lines



The pasta is made with 100% Durum Wheat Semolina and each batch is tested to ensure it meets key quality attributes. When combined with Valdigrano's expertise, the resulting pasta has a robust texture and maintains its shape during the cooking process.

To ensure consistent quality throughout the year, Valdigrano has 16 on-site silos for semolina storage with a total capacity of 865 tons. They also have an in-house laboratory to test incoming semolina and ensure that it meets the necessary quality standards before being offloaded into the silos. Raw material selection and blending is crucial to ensure the correct quality of pasta is maintained throughout the year.

Product quality is guaranteed by compliance with the HACCP program, IFS and BRC global food standards (Higher Level Certification for both) certified by the CSQA. The company also holds certifications for Halal and Kosher products.

Valdigrano has an ongoing environmental and energy plan in place to review and reduce energy usage, conserve water and reduce waste and packaging. The company also regularly donates pasta to food charities to assist the most vulnerable people in the surrounding communities. Additionally, Valdigrano partners with CAST Alimenta, a Food Science & Technology organization, to support student projects and research.







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There are hundreds of different shapes of pasta, each with its own unique name and purpose.

Some of the most common pasta shapes include:

- Spaghetti: long, thin strands that are perfect for dishes with a lot of sauce
- Penne: short, tube-shaped pasta that is great for salads or pasta bakes as it holds sauce inside
- Fettuccine: wide, flat noodles that are similar to spaghetti, but slightly wider
- Linguine: flat, ribbon-like pasta that is similar to fettuccine but narrower
- Angel hair: extremely thin and delicate pasta that is typically served with light sauces or soups
- Rigatoni: large, hollow, tube-shaped pasta that is great for baked dishes
- Macaroni: small, elbow-shaped pasta that is often used in macaroni and cheese
- Tortellini: small, ring-shaped pasta that is typically filled with cheese or meat
- Lasagne: wide, flat pasta sheets that are layered with meat, vegetables, and cheese in a traditional lasagne dish.

Our catalogue contains about 100 shapes, just a small sample of the many different types of pasta available, there are many more exotic shapes, specific to certain regions, or used in traditional dishes that are not that well known internationally.









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Tempo di cottura: 9 min

Cooking time: 9 min





Cooking time: 8 min

























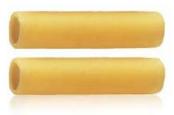


Sedani Lisci 129

LU 42 mm SP 1,15 mm Ø 7,8 mm

Tempo di cottura: 10 min

Cooking time: 10 min



















Mezze Penne Rigate 145

LU 34 mm SP 1,05 mm Ø 9,4 mm

Tempo di cottura: 10 min Cooking time: 10 min



Pennette Lisce 149

LU 41 mm SP 1 mm Ø 5,8 mm Tempo di cottura: 9 min

Cooking time: 9 min





Gnocchi 136

LU 13 mm SP 1,05 mm LA 27 mm

Tempo di cottura: 11 min Cooking time: 11 min



Conchiglie Rigate 137

LU 13 mm SP 1,05 mm LA 31 mm

Tempo di cottura: 13 min Cooking time: 13 min



#### Mezze Maniche Rigate 164

LU 20 mm SP 1,1 mm Ø 16 mm

Tempo di cottura: 11 min Cooking time: 11 min



Sedanini Rigati 181

LU 29 mm SP 0,95 mm Ø 4,75 mm

Tempo di cottura: 10 min Cooking time: 10 min



Tortiglietti 146

L 36 mm SP 1,05 mm Ø 8,6 mm

Tempo di cottura: 12 min Cooking time: 12 min



Tortiglioni 148

LU 39 mm SP 0,95 mm Ø 11,5 mm

Tempo di cottura: 12 min Cooking time: 12 min



#### Pennette Rigate 141

LU 44 mm SP 1 mm Ø 7,40 mm Tempo di cottura: 10 min

Cooking time: 10 min



#### Penne Medie Lisce 142

LU 45 mm SP 1,15 mm Ø 8 mm

Tempo di cottura: 10 min Cooking time: 10 min



#### Fusilli 160

LU 35 mm | SP 1,3 mm | Ø 9,7 mm

Tempo di cottura: 12 min Cooking time: 12 min



#### Torti 161

LU 28 mm SP 1 mm Ø 6,5 mm

Tempo di cottura: 6 min Cooking time: 6 min



Rigatoni 158

LU 43 mm SP 1,05 mm Ø 14 mm

Tempo di cottura: 12 min Cooking time: 12 min



Maniche Rigate 163

LU 38 mm SP 1,1 mm Ø 16 mm

Tempo di cottura: 12 min Cooking time: 12 min



Penne Lisce 143

LU 46 mm SP 1,1 mm Ø 9,6 mm

Tempo di cottura: 8 min Cooking time: 8 min



#### Penne Rigate 144

LU 46 mm SP 1,05 mm Ø 9,4 mm

Tempo di cottura: 11 min Cooking time: 11 min



#### Celentani 162

LU 32 mm SP 1,05 mm Ø 5,7 mm

Tempo di cottura: 11 min Cooking time: 11 min



#### Bandnudeln 393

LU 35 mm SP 0,9 mm LA 10,7 mm

Tempo di cottura: 6 min Cooking time: 6 min





LU 2 mm Ø 1,9 mm Tempo di cottura: 6 min

Cooking time: 6 min



Cooking time: 8 min



Risone 105

Tempo di cottura: 11 min Cooking time: 11 min

LU 1,85 mm LA 8,5 mm



Risone grosso 106

LU 1,95 mm LA 10,8 mm Tempo di cottura: 12 min

Cooking time: 12 min



Stelline 108

LU 1,6 mm Ø 4 mm Tempo di cottura: 7 min

Cooking time: 7 min



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Alfabeto 110

LU 1,6 mm LA 4,4 mm

Tempo di cottura: 5 min

Cooking time: 5 min

Ditalini lisci 115

LU 6 mm SP 1,1 mm Ø 5,8 mm

Tempo di cottura: 8 min Cooking time: 8 min



#### Anellini 109

LU 1,5 mm Ø 4,3 mm Tempo di cottura: 6 min Cooking time: 6 min

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Piombi 111

LU 3 mm Ø 3,5 mm

Tempo di cottura: 15 min

Cooking time: 15 min

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Ditalini rigati 116

LU 6 mm SP 1 mm Ø 4,75 mm

Tempo di cottura: 9 min

Cooking time: 9 min



#### Ditaloni lisci 117

LU 12 mm SP 1,1 mm Ø 9,75 mm

Tempo di cottura: 9 min Cooking time: 9 min



#### Ditale rigato 118

LU 10 mm SP 1 mm Ø 7,5 mm

Tempo di cottura: 8 min Cooking time: 8 min



#### Ditali lisci 119

LU 11 mm SP 1,15 mm Ø 7,5 mm

Tempo di cottura: 9 min Cooking time: 9 min



#### Mista 120\*

Cooking time: 9 min

LU 27 mm Ø 1,35 mm Tempo di cottura: 9 min



#### Nouilles 179

LU 4 mm SP 1 mm LA 30 mm Tempo di cottura: 8 min Cooking time: 8 min

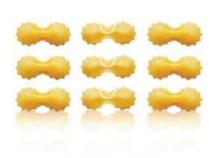


Mafaldine 414

LU 15 mm SP 1,4 mm LA 17,5 mm

Tempo di cottura: 10 min Cooking time: 10 min





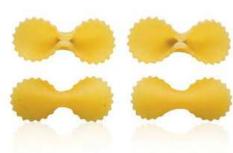
#### Farfalline 150

LU 15,5 mm SP 0,95 mm LA 6,4 mm Tempo di cottura: 6 min

Cooking time: 6 min







LU 31 mm SP 1,3 mm Ø 12,5 mm

Tempo di cottura: 12 min Cooking time: 12 min



Cooking time: 12 min



#### Spaghettini 3

LU 260 mm Ø 1,35 mm Tempo di cottura: 5 min Cooking time: 5 min



#### Vermicelli 7

LU 260 mm Ø 1,85 mm Tempo di cottura: 10 min Cooking time: 10 min



Tempo di cottura: 8 min

Cooking time: 8 min



Tempo di cottura: 3 min Cooking time: 3 min

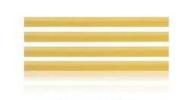
LU 260 mm Ø 1,1 mm



#### Spaghetti 5

LU 260 mm Ø 1,65 mm

Tempo di cottura: 8 min Cooking time: 8 min



#### Bucatini 9

LU 260 mm Ø 2,8 mm Tempo di cottura: 9 min

Cooking time: 9 min



#### Fettuccine 15

LU 260 mm SP 1,3 mm LA 4,6 mm

Tempo di cottura: 12 min Cooking time: 12 min



#### Gnocchetti sardi 165

LU 8 mm SP 1,05 mm LA 15 mm Tempo di cottura: 10 min

Cooking time: 10 min





#### Gemelli 172

LU 35 mm SP 0,9 mm Ø 6,1 mm

Tempo di cottura: 9 min Cooking time: 9 min



#### Molle 153

LU 16 mm SP 1,1 mm LA 30 mm

Tempo di cottura: 9 min Cooking time: 9 min



#### Ruote 156

LU 7 mm Ø 20 mm

Tempo di cottura: 9 min Cooking time: 9 min



Dischi Volanti 338

LU 10,5 mm SP 0,9 mm Ø 20 mm

Tempo di cottura: 7 min Cooking time: 7 min





Penne Rigate 244

LU 46 mm SP 1,05 mm Ø 9,4 mm Tempo di cottura: 11 min

Cooking time: 11 min













Fusilli 260

LU 35 mm SP 1,3 mm Ø 9,7 mm Tempo di cottura: 12 min Cooking time: 12 min



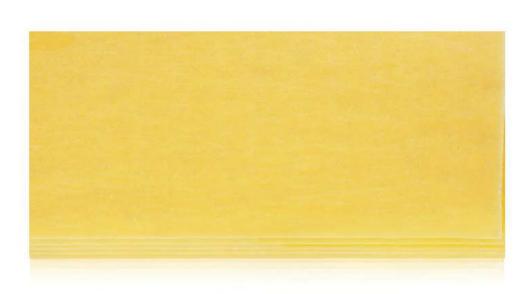


LU 43 mm SP 1,1 mm Ø 7,55 mm Tempo di cottura: 9 min Cooking time: 9 min











Cooking time: 11 min















Radiatori 275

LU 14 mm SP 1 mm Ø 28 mm Tempo di cottura: 9 min Cooking time: 9 min



Tortiglioni 248

₩ 39 mm SP 0,95 mm Ø 11,5 mm Tempo di cottura: 12 min Cooking time: 12 min



Trottole 278

LU 35 mm SP 1,1 mm LA 20 mm Tempo di cottura: 10 min Cooking time: 10 min



#### Strozzapreti 276

LU 38 mm SP 1,1 mm Ø 7 mm Tempo di cottura: 9 min Cooking time: 9 min



Torchietti 277

LU 31 mm SP 0,95 mm Ø 9,3 mm Tempo di cottura: 10 min Cooking time: 10 min



#### Mini Pipite Rigate 035

LU 15,5 mm SP 0,95 mm Ø 12,5 mm Tempo di cottura: 7 min Cooking time: 7 min

Mini Tortiglioni 046

LU 28 mm SP 0,75 mm Ø 6,2 mm

Tempo di cottura: 5 min

Cooking time: 5 min



#### Mini Conchiglie 037

LU 11 mm SP 0,95 mm LA 18 mm Tempo di cottura: 11 min Cooking time: 11min

Mini Penne 041

LU 25 mm SP 0,95 mm Ø 5,2 mm

Tempo di cottura: 7 min

Cooking time: 7 min

Mini Fusilli 061

LU 22 mm SP 0,9 mm Ø 7,5 mm

Tempo di cottura: 6 min

Cooking time: 6 min



#### Penne Rigate Tricolore 144

LU 48 mm SP 1,05 mm Ø 9,6 mm Tempo di cottura: 11 min Cooking time: 11 min



#### Farfalle Tricolore 154

LU 33,5 mm SP 1,3 mm LA 24 mm Tempo di cottura: 12 min Cooking time: 12 min



#### Fusilli Tricolore 160

LU 36 mm SP 1,25 mm Ø 9,2 mm Tempo di cottura: 11 min Cooking time: 11 min



#### Torti Tricolore 161

LU 28 mm SP 1 mm Ø 6,5 mm

Tempo di cottura: 5 min Cooking time: 5 min



#### Fusillo Forato 287

LU 29 mm SP 0,9 mm Ø 8,5 mm Tempo di cottura: 8 min

Cooking time: 8 min



### LU 23,6 mm SP 1,1 mm Ø 17 mm

Tempo di cottura: 8 min Cooking time: 8 min



LU 7 mm SP 0,85 mm Ø 23,5 mm Tempo di cottura: 8 min Cooking time: 8 min





#### WHY LUPA FOODS?

We aim to be an essential partner to the food industry for quality ingredients.

To be a leader in the development, supply and production of sustainable, high quality and innovative products. We earn the respect and loyalty of customers through consistency and product excellence, and by focusing on customer service.

We care for the environment, striving to continuously reduce our impact on the planet, ensuring a better future for all that calls it home.







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