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DIY Home Improvement: Lawn Care

As winter comes to an end, it's time to start thinking about preparing your lawn for outdoor activities. Many homeowners spend thousands of dollars hiring lawn care professionals or boutique lawn designers to curate their yards, and hours researching costly and potentially harmful chemicals to turn the grass green. If you want a healthy yard free of weeds and pests, here are a few basic steps to set you on the right path.

First, test the soil. The most basic foundation for a lush, healthy lawn is the soil in which the grass grows. Soil testing kits are easily obtained from Home Depot, Lowes or independent home and garden shops. Some university programs or state cooperative extension offices will even test your soil for free.

Characteristics of healthy soil:

- Neutral pH
- Potassium
- Nitrogen
- Phosphorus salts

Read the full article by visiting: <u>2-10.com/blog/diy-home-improvement-lawn-care/</u>



Spring Linguine with Basil

Ingredients

- 9 ounces uncooked fresh linguine
- 1 cup shelled fresh green peas
- 4 teaspoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 tablespoon unsalted butter
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1/4 cup thinly sliced fresh basi
- 2 ounces shaved fresh Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese

Instructions

- Cook pasta according to package directions. Add peas to pasta during the last 2 minutes of cooking time. Drain pasta mixture in a colander over a bowl, reserving 1/4 cup pasta liquid.
- 2. Heat oil and butter in pan over medium heat for 1 minute or until butter melts. Remove from heat; stir in pasta mixture, reserved pasta water, juice, salt and pepper; toss well.
- Divide pasta mixture evenly among 4 bowls; top each serving with 1 tablespoon basil and about 2 tablespoons cheese.

Recipe courtesy of myrecipes.com



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