Italian Sausage Soup with Tortellini Dawn Norcross

INGREDIENTS

- 1 pound sweet Italian sausage, casings removed
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 quart marinara
- 1 quart beef broth
- 1 cup thinly sliced carrots
- 1 quart cubed zucchini
- 8 ounces fresh tortellini pasta

DIRECTIONS

In a 5-quart Dutch oven, brown sausage. Remove sausage and drain, reserving 1 tablespoon of the drippings. Sauté onions and garlic in drippings. Stir in marinara, beef broth, carrots and sausage. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer uncovered for 30 minutes. Add tortellini, zucchini and cook until tortellini is tender. Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese on top of each serving.