SCALLOP AND ASPARAGUS ALFREDO

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INGREDIENTS

8 ounces fresh sea scallops
2 ounces penne pasta
1 pound fresh asparagus
spears, cut into 1-inch
pieces (2 cups)
2 teaspoons olive oil
2 cloves garlic, minced
Half cup heavy cream
2 tablespoons cream cheese
2 tablespoons shredded
Parmesan cheese
1 tablespoon lemon juice
Salt and pepper to taste
Fresh Italian parsley

DIRECTIONS

- Pat scallops dry with paper towels. Set aside. Cook pasta according to package directions, adding asparagus for the last 3 minutes of cooking time. Drain and keep warm.
- 2. In a large skillet, heat oil over high heat. Add scallops. Cook for 4 to 5 minutes or until scallops are golden brown, turning once. Remove scallops from the skillet and put them with the pasta mixture to keep warm.
- 3. Add garlic to the skillet and sauté for 30 seconds. Add heavy cream and turn heat to medium-low. Add cream cheese, Parmesan cheese, lemon juice, and season with salt and pepper. Cook and stir until heated through and the cheeses are melted.
- 4. Add cooked pasta and asparagus to the skillet; toss to coat. Divide pasta mixture between two dinner plates. Top with the cooked scallops. If desired, garnish with parsley.