Zucchini Scampi

Ingredients

- 1½ pounds zucchini sliced into ½ inch-thick rounds
- Kosher salt
- Neutral oil, such as grapeseed or canola
- 1 garlic clove, finely chopped
- ¼ tsp red-pepper flakes
- ½ cup white wine
- 3 Tbsp unsalted butter, cubed and cold
- 1 Tbsp lemon juice (from half a lemon)
- 1 Tbsp chopped parsley, mint or basil leaves, or ½ Tbsp chopped tarragon leaves

Preparation

- 1. Arrange the squash in a single layer and sprinkle with 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 2. Let sit for 10 minutes, no more than 30
- 3. Pat dry with a kitchen towel or paper towel
- 4. Heat about 1 tablespoon oil in a 12 inch skillet over medium-high heat
- 5. Add a single layer of squash, salted sides down
- 6. Cook, without flipping, until browned underneath, 2-3 minutes
- 7. Transfer to a platter or large plate, and repeat with the remaining squash, adding more oil as necessary
- 8. Sprinkle with garlic and red-pepper flakes
- 9. With the empty skillet over medium-high heat, add the white wine
- 10. Simmer until reduced by half, 2-3 minutes
- 11. Add the butter and shake the skillet until the butter melts and combines with the wine into a smooth sauce
- 12. Remove skillet from the heat, add the lemon juice and shake to combine
- 13. Season to taste with salt, then pour over the squash
- 14. Top with the parsley, mint, basil or tarragon and serve warm

