

# Gage Foods

## Food Preparation Guide: Entrees



### Gage Entrees Available:

- Lasagna Dinner Mix
- Tetrazzini Dinner Kit
- Santa Fe Pasta
- Noodles Alfredo
- Beef Pasta Mix
- Cheeseburger Mac
- Country Dumpling Dinner Mix

### LunchWell Entrees Available:

- Little Italy Lasagna
- Chicken Noodle USA
- Chicken Pomodoro

### Note:

**All of Gage's Entrees include the pasta and entrée seasonings pre-measured to fit 1 full deep steam table pan.**

### Basic Preparation

All of Gage's entrees have very similar preparation guidelines:

1. Empty contents of 1 unit Gage product into 1 full deep steam table pan.
2. Add Gage spice packet and any other ingredients called for in the recipe.
3. Stir carefully to combine.
4. Add boiling water.
5. Cover pan with foil and place in the oven.
6. Bake Gage product at the recommended temperature for the time specified.

### Cooking Tips and Tricks: Gage Entrees

**TIP #1: When Baking Gage Products In the Oven, Always Boil the Water First.**

In order for Gage pastas to cook properly in an oven they require a flash of very hot or boiling water to begin the cooking process. This will help release the pasta's starches. It is also advisable to transfer the product to the oven as soon as possible after adding the boiling water and other ingredients to ensure the pasta cooks continually throughout the baking process.

**TIP #2: All Ovens are Different So Be Sure to Check Your Product Regularly the 1st Time Around.**

Gage's baking instructions were created using the average baking time required to fully cook our products. However, oven variability, including the age of the oven, temperature, oven type or oven brand, the product's placement in the oven, etc, may result in it taking more or less time to fully cook the product. Please allow for some additional time the first few times you prepare the product and check the product regularly after 20 minutes to ensure you get the best result.

**TIP #3: Some Products Taste Better When You Allow Time to Set and Thicken Before Serving.**

Although not required, a number of Gage products will thicken with time after being removed from the oven, sometimes improving their overall acceptance.

Chicken Noodle USA, Chicken Pomodoro, Lasagna Dinner Mix, and Tetrazzini Dinner Kit are all products in which the sauces thicken and set with time after being removed from the oven.