Florida Sweet Corn Tomato and Black Bean Pasta



Ingredients:

- 3 ears fresh Florida sweet corn, kernels cut off the cob
- 1 pound pasta (corkscrew), cooked as directed on package, drained and cooled under running water
- 1 can cooked black beans (15 ounces), drained and rinsed
- 2 cups fresh Florida tomato, diced
- 1/2 cup fresh cilantro, rinsed and chopped plus more for garnish
- 1/2 cup half-and-half
- 4 cloves fresh garlic, peeled and minced
- 1 teaspoon cumin, plus more to taste
- 1 teaspoon chili powder, plus more to taste
- 1 lime, juiced
- 1 teaspoon vegetable or olive oil
- sea salt and fresh ground pepper to taste

Directions:

- 1. Preheat a large sauté pan over medium heat.
- 2. Add vegetable or olive oil to the preheated sauté pan.
- 3. Add the corn kernels and cook them for 2 to 4 minutes until they start to get some color.
- 4. Add the black beans, garlic and diced tomato to the sauté pan.
- 5. Cook ingredients for about 3 minutes until the tomatoes soften and release juices.
- 6. Add the cumin, chili powder, lime juice and half-and-half.
- 7. Continue to cook ingredients and bring to a boil.
- 8. Add the cooked pasta and cilantro.
- 9. Continue to cook ingredients until the pasta is heated throughout and the sauce has started to slightly stick to the pasta.
- 10. Taste and adjust seasoning with salt and pepper.
- 11. Remove pasta from heat and serve hot.
- 12. Garnish with any extra fresh cilantro.