

BASIC PESTO

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(yields 4 cups)

Ingredients

- 1/2 cup **pine nuts**
- 2 Tbsp chopped **garlic**
- 5 cups fresh **basil**
- 1 tsp **salt**
- 1/2 tsp **pepper**
- 1 1/2 cups extra-virgin **olive oil**
- 1 cup freshly grated **Parmesan cheese**

Preparation

- 1.** Put all ingredients except olive oil in a blender or food processor. Process for 30 seconds. Add oil a little at a time and blend again until combined.

Don't have a food processor?

- 2.** Just use a really sharp knife to chop everything and then combine with cheese and oil.

NOTE If freezing, add a small layer of oil on top prior to putting into the freezer.