

## Basil Pesto Sauce

### Ingredients

- 1/4 cup pine nuts
- 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 3-4 cloves garlic, peeled
- 1/2 tsp. grated lemon zest
- 1/2 tsp salt optional
- 1/8 tsp ground black pepper
- 4 packed cups fresh basil
- 2/3 cup olive oil



### Directions

Blend pine nuts, parmesan, garlic, lemon zest, salt, and pepper in a food processor until finely chopped. Add basil, and blend 1 minute or until finely chopped, scraping down sides of bowl once or twice. With motor running, add oil in steady stream and process until smooth.