Herbal Legacy Recipes

A Pesto for All Seasons

Soaked almonds replace the expensive pine nuts without losing any flavor in this delicious and nearly traditional pesto recipe.

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 ½ cups packed basil or parsley
- 3-4 cloves garlic, crushed
- 1 teaspoon sea salt
- ½ cup *soaked almonds
- ¾ cup olive oil
- Pepper to taste
- ½ c nutritional yeast flakes or
- Nondairy Parmesan Cheese



DIRECTIONS:

- 1. In a blender or food processor, combine the basil or parsley, and garlic.
- 2. Add the salt, soaked almonds, and olive oil. Blend to a creamy butter consistency.
- 3. Add more oil, if necessary, add salt and pepper to taste.
- 4. Finally, add the nutritional yeast flakes.

Drizzle over steamed pumpkin in the fall, sweet potatoes in the winter, new potatoes and salads in the summer. Makes a great topping for steamed veggies, (onion, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, broccoli, green beans, sugar snap peas and much more) any time of the year.

Other variations:

- Toss with sprouts, chick peas and ripe tomatoes for a healthy, hearty meal.
- Double or triple the garlic during cold and flu season.
- Pour over baked spaghetti squash "noodles" or grated, little steamed zucchini for a healthy "pasta". *Bon Appétit!*

*for soaked almonds: fully cover a handful of almonds with distilled water, let sit 12-24 hours, then proceed to use.