

## Arugula and Olive Pesto

3 cups arugula  
1/2 cup extra virgin olive oil  
1 small clove garlic, coarsely chopped  
1/4 cup pine nuts  
1/4 cup coarsely chopped kalamata olives, or other oil-cured black olive  
1/4 tsp. salt  
Freshly ground black pepper to taste  
1/4 cup freshly grated Pecorino Romano or Parmesan cheese

Place all ingredients except cheese in the bowl of a food processor fitted with the steel blade. Process until smooth, scraping down the sides of the bowl as necessary. Transfer mixture to a small bowl and stir in the cheese. Taste for seasonings adding salt or pepper as desired.

Makes enough sauce for one pound of pasta.