



## **Ingredients:**

- ½ Cup Lightly Toasted Pine Nuts
- 3 Garlic Cloves, Peeled & Coarsely Chopped
- 6 Cups Loosely Packed Basil Leaves
- Salt & Pepper To Taste
- 1 Tablespoon Freshly Squeezed Lemon Juice
- ¾ to 1 Cup Extra Virgin Olive Oil
- ½ Cup Grated Pecorino Romano Cheese

## Method:

- 1. Bring a large pot of lightly salted water to a boil.
- 2. While the water comes to a boil, prepare a large water with ice and cold water.
- 3. Dump the basil leaves into the boiling water for a few seconds, then immediately remove from the hot water with a slotted spoon or strainer and dump into the ice water bath.
- 4. After the basil cools, squeeze the basil to remove as much water as you can.
- 5. Place the pine nuts and garlic in a blender and pulse.
- 6. Add the basil, lemon juice, salt and pepper, and half the oil.
- 7. Pulse to blend, and then slowly add as much additional oil as needed to create a smooth sauce.