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- 4 cups fresh basil, gently rubbed under cold running water
- 1/3 cup nuts (walnuts, pine nuts, almonds)
- 3 teaspoons garlic, minced
- ½ cup Parmesan cheese
- ½ cup olive oil
- Salt and pepper to taste

Nutrition Information: Serving Size (1/4 of recipe): Calories 180, Total Fat 18g, Saturated Fat 3g, Cholesterol 5mg, Sodium 115mg, Total Carbohydrates 3g, Fiber 1g Total Sugars 0g, includes 0g Added Sugars Protein 3g Vitamin D 0% Calcium 8% Iron 6% Potassium 2%

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- 1. Wash hands with soap and water.
- 2. Pat basil dry with a paper towel after washing. Place the basil and nuts in a food processor or blender. Pulse until combined. Scrape down sides with a spatula or spoon.
- 3. Add garlic and cheese to basil mixture and pulse until combined. Scrape down sides again with a spatula or spoon.
- 4. While the food processor is running, slowly add half of the olive oil. Stop the food processor and scrape down sides again. Start the food processor and add remaining oil.
- 5. Add salt and pepper, if desired.
- 6. Store leftovers in a sealed container in the refrigerator, or freeze for up to three months.

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