Kale-Pumpkin Seed Pesto

Ingredients

½ tsp kosher salt crushed red chile flakes to taste

1 garlic clove ½ c olive oil

6 Tbsp roasted pumpkin seeds 2-3 Tbsp freshly grated Parmesan 1½ c kale leaves, stems removed, preferably Lacinato (aka Tuscan, Dinosaur, Black)

Directions

Process garlic with salt in a food processor until finely chopped. Add seeds, kale and chile flakes and chop until fine. Add the olive oil, processing until well blended. Transfer the pesto to a jar. Stir in the cheese (or for non-dairy version, leave out). Makes about $\frac{2}{3}$ cup.

Pesto is delicious as a base for a pizza or panini. For pasta or a chicken, it can be thinned with some lemon juice.

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