

Tahini Dressing

I love this poured over salad as an alternative to French dressing or Mayo.

Even better is to pour it over **Hot steamed vegetables** - steam about 3 or more different types to get textural variety. It is also good on **Jacket potato** or **Baked sweet potato**.

Half cup of Tahini
zest and juice of a lemon
I tbs olive oil
I crushed garlic clove
½ tsp cumin seeds or powder
½ tsp paprika
¾ cup water

Put everything in a blender and blitz. Keeps well for a week in the fridge.



Basic classic Salad Dressing

Easy peasy - don't ever buy french dressing again!

A million different variations can be done by changing choice of oil, vinegar or juice, selection of herbs and ratios.

I have even made one with gooseberry jam - long ago before I cut sugar out!

Ingredients

1/2 - I crushed garlic clove (optional) Lemon juice or vinegar (or lime juice, orange juice etc) Olive oil or any oil combo salt and pepper to taste

Optional extras -

Fresh or dried herbs

1/2 teaspoon or more of honey/agave syrup

Ratio: I part lemon juice/ vinegar to 3 parts oil

Put it all in a food mixer and blitz if you like a really creamy texture, or just shake it all together in a screw topped jar that you can keep the dressing in. Stores well in jar.



Sunflower Seed pate

2 cups of soaked (4 hours or overnight) Sunflower seeds (also great using Walnuts, also soaked)

I or more tablespoons cider vinegar or lemon juice

2-3 spring onions, chopped (optional) (or 1/2 - I leek or onion) sea salt

I cup or more of chopped herbs, such as basil, parsley, oregano etc or I tsp of dry (or curry powder or any other seasoning of choice)

Optional - I tbs tomato puree

Put all ingredients into a food processor and blitz until the texture you like - can be coarse or smooth.

Also good for spreading on lettuce leaves for salad wraps or for a stuffing in vegetables like tomatoes and peppers, or just with some crackers.

Keeps well for several days in a sealed container in the fridge.

