# **Holiday Gift Ideas & Meal Ideas**

## Lemon-Sage Wine Mustard

1 bunch of fresh sage 3/4 cup dry white wine 3/4 cup yellow mustard seeds 1 cup white wine vinegar Grated zest and juice of 2 large lemons 1/2 cup liquid honey 1/4 teaspoon salt

Yield: five 4-ounce jars

### Meal Ideas

- Pretzel dip
- Herbed Egg Salad
- Classic Vinaigrette
- 1. Finely chop enough sage leaves to measure 1/3 cup and set aside. Coarsely chop remaining sage leaves and stems to measure 1/2 cup and place in a small non-reactive saucepan with white wine.
- 2. Bring to a boil over medium heat, stirring and pressing sage to release flavor.
- 3. Remove from heat. Cover tightly and let steep for 5 minutes.
- 4. Transfer sage infusion to a sieve placed over a non-reactive bowl and press leaves with the back of a spoon to extract all the liquid.
- 5. Discard solids and return liquid to saucepan. Add mustard seeds. Cover and let stand at room temperature until seeds have absorbed most of the moisture, about 2 hours.
- 6. In a blender or food processor, combine marinated mustard seeds (with liquid) and vinegar. Process until blended and most of the seeds are well chopped. (You want to retain a slightly grainy texture.)
- 7. Transfer mixture to a non-reactive saucepan; add lemon zest, juice, honey, salt, and reserved finely chopped sage
- 8. Bring to a boil over high heat, stirring constantly. Reduce heat to low and boil gently, stirring frequently, until volume is reduced by a third, about 20 minutes.
- 9. Ladle hot mustard into hot jars, leaving 1/4-inch headspace. Remove air bubbles; adjust headspace if necessary. Wipe rims. Apply lids and rings.
- 10. Process in boiling water or atmospheric steam canner for 10 minutes at 0-1,000', 15 minutes at 1,001-3,000', 20 minutes at 3,001-6,000', 25 minutes at 6,001-8,000', and 30 minutes at 8,001'-10,000'.

Source: Ball Complete Book of Home Preserving, 2020

#### Herbed Egg Salad

4 servings

8 hard-boiled large eggs, chopped ½ cup finely chopped fresh chives

2 tablespoons mayonnaise

1 tablespoon coarsely chopped fresh dill

2 teaspoons whole grain mustard

1½ teaspoons apple cider vinegar, plus more if needed Hot sauce

Kosher salt, freshly ground pepper

- 1. Mix eggs, chives, mayonnaise, dill, mustard, 1½ teaspoon vinegar, and a few dashes of hot sauce in a medium bowl until well combined.
- 2. Season with salt, pepper, and more hot sauce or vinegar, if desired.

# Classic Vinaigrette

Makes about ½ cup

1 small garlic clove, finely grated

2 tablespoons red wine vinegar

2 teaspoons Dijon mustard

½ cup olive oil

Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper

- 1. Whisk garlic, vinegar, and mustard in a small bowl.
- 2. Gradually whisk in oil until emulsified; season with salt and pepper.

**Do Ahead:** Dressing can be made 2 days ahead. Transfer to a jar; cover and chill.