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This deeply flavorful seasoned salt works well on pork, roasted chicken, roasted potatoes and more. So easy to prepare – and it makes for great gift-giving, too!

Porchetta Salt

Yield: about 1/2 cup

2 tbsp fennel seeds
½ cup (125 gr) coarse sea salt
2 tbsp finely grated lemon zest
2 tbsp minced fresh rosemary
2 tbsp whole black peppercorns
optional additions: crushed bay leaf; finely grated
orange zest; minced fresh sage



- 1. Preheat the oven to 200°F.
- 2. Spread the fennel seeds in a small skillet and set over medium-high heat. Toast, stirring often, until the seeds are fragrant and have turned a shade darker, about 1 to 2 minutes. Transfer to a bowl and let cool.
- 3. Add the salt, zest, rosemary, and peppercorns (and optional ingredients, if using) to the bowl with the fennel seeds and mix well. Spread the mixture on a rimmed baking sheet. Bake until the lemon zest and rosemary have dried out, about 30 minutes. Let cool to room temperature.
- 4. Pulse the mixture briefly in a food processor or spice mill, just enough to achieve a coarse grind. Put salt into a jar or container with a tight-fitting lid.
- 5. Store container in a cool, dry dark place. For best flavor, use within 6 months.

Source: Adapted from Preserving Italy by Domenica Marchetti