

## **Sunflower Pesto**

## Featuring Maui Sunflower Oil

**Compliments of Executive Chef Taylor Ponte** 

1 cup sunflower seeds

3 TBS white balsamic vinegar

2 ea garlic clove

1 cup basil

1 cup parsley

1/2 cup Maiden Hawaii Naturals Maui

Sunflower oil

1/2 cup parmesan cheese

- Combine all in blender until smooth.

Executive Chef Taylor Ponte was named Maui's 2020 Chef of the Year by Maui No Ka Oi Magazine at the 'Aipono Awards. A graduate of Maui Culinary Academy, he worked alongside Chef Alan Wong, Chef Jonathan Mizukami, and Chef Jeff Scheer prior to becoming the Executive Chef at The Mill House. He is also the chef/owner of Kamado Maui, offering private and pop-up culinary events. Ponte grew up on the island of Maui, alongside farmers he now works with, and showcases locally sourced ingredients that make his food so uniquely Maui.

SHARING? PLEASE CREDIT: Recipe compliments of Chef Taylor Ponte Tag @taylor\_ponte and @kamadomaui "This oil reminds me of Spring. It has a nutty flavor, finishes nice and round with high aromatic notes of alfalfa. It has a great smoke point and is versatile to cook with. I love that it's from Maui and it's sustainable." – Chef Taylor Ponte

