## TAPENADE DIP

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Makes: about 1 ½ cups

½ cup imported black olives, such as alfonso or Kalamata, pitted

1/4 cup imported green olives, such as Sicilian, pitted

4 anchovy fillets

1 garlic clove

2 tablespoons capers, thoroughly drained

2 tablespoons oil-packed tuna, drained

1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice

1 cup fresh basil leaves, rinsed and patted dry, or more to taste

¼ cup best-quality olive oil

¼ cup mayonnaise (optional)

Combine the black and green olives, anchovy fillets, garlic, capers, tuna, lemon juice, and basil in a food processor. Process until smooth.

With the motor still running, dribble in the oil to make a thick, fluffy sauce. For a lighter sauce, ideal for raw vegetables, blend in the mayonnaise.

Taste, and correct the seasoning. Scrape the dip into a bowl and cover. Refrigerate until ready to serve. Tapenade will keep, refrigerated, for 1 week.

