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# Variations for flavored mayonnaise

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Variations for flavored mayo

**Chipotle mayonnaise:** Add one-fourth cup puréed canned chipotle chiles in *adobo* to a bowl of basic mayonnaise.

**Piquillo pepper mayonnaise:** Follow the basic mayonnaise recipe, substituting sherry vinegar for the white wine vinegar. Add one-fourth cup puréed piquillo peppers and a pinch of cayenne to the mayonnaise.

**Saffron mayonnaise:** Soak a pinch of saffron threads in 1 tablespoon of hot water for 15 minutes, then add the water and threads to the egg-yolk base in place of the plain water. Continue with the recipe for basic mayonnaise.

**Tarragon-mustard mayonnaise:** Add one-fourth cup finely minced fresh tarragon and one-fourth cup stone-ground mustard to the basic mayonnaise recipe.

**Cilantro-lime mayonnaise:** Make the basic mayonnaise, replacing the lemon juice with lime juice and adding one-fourth cup finely minced fresh cilantro to the sauce.

**Cumin-caraway mayonnaise:** Toast 1 tablespoon each of cumin seeds and caraway seeds in a small saucepan, then grind in a spice grinder. Add to the basic mayonnaise.

**Garlic mayonnaise (aioli):** Using a mortar and pestle, crush 4 garlic cloves with one-fourth teaspoon kosher salt, then add to the egg-yolk mixture. Omit the salt, and continue with the rest of the recipe for basic mayonnaise.

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