# **Herbs**

# <u>Basil</u>

Hints of mint, cloves anise *Uses:* Pesto, vegetable soup tomato dishes
Use fresh or freeze

#### **Bay Leaf**

Traces of cinnamon like flavor *Uses:* Beef stew, Pot roast, various game dishes Add early to long cooked dishes

#### <u>Dill</u>

Fresh, mild faint anise taste *Uses:* cucumber salad, hard cooked eggs boiled potatoesSnip feathery ends of fresh dill when adding to dishes and discard the stems.

#### **Mint**

Sweet, Cool, Refreshing *Uses:* Mint Jelly, Ice Tea, Yogurt Dip Fresh mint leaves are used raw.

# **Oregano**

Strong, peppery Taste *Uses:* Garlic Bread Pizza Chili Use interchangeably with Marjoram

#### **Parsley**

Fresh grassy-vegetable taste *Uses*: Garnish for boiled potatoes cold soup and parsley butter on fish.

Makes pretty garnish on platter.

#### **Rosemary**

Piney bittersweet tealike flavor *Uses:* Leg of Lamb roasted potatoes split pea /bean soup poultry.

Just as good dried as fresh,

Crush needles to
release scent before using.

#### <u>Sage</u>

Woodsy pungent faintly bitter *Uses:* Poultry stuffing pork roast or chops Slip sprigs of fresh sage under breast skin of chicken before roasting.

# **Tarragon**

Hints of licorice and vanilla *Uses:* Roast or sautéed chicken, in sauce for fish or seafood. Use herb sprig for brushing sauces on grilled meat.

#### **Thyme**

Peppery robust with hints of mint and lemon

*Uses:* Clam Chowder, mushroom soup,

rice and beans. Add to bouquet garni, Herbes de Province. Like Lemon Try Lemon thyme for fish and other seafood.

# **Bouquet Garni**

Parsley, thyme, and bay leaf Uses: Good in vegetable soups and vegetables of any kind can also be used to flavor beef and pork.

## **Poultry Seasonings**

Sage, rosemary, ginger, pepper, oregano

Uses: Can be used with chicken or Turkey in pies or stews or soups or those that will be roasted.

# **Spices**

# **Allspice**

Flavor like nutmeg, clove cinnamon and juniper Sweet, licorice-like Uses: Pumpkin and Mince Pies baked winter squashAllspice has a complex taste that works well with sweet and savory dishes.

#### **Cardamon**

Delicate hint of cinnamon, eucalptus, lemon. Uses: Coffeecakes, chicken curry, coffee Use pods or ground

#### Celery Seed

Bitter, refreshing, celery like. Uses: Potato Salad, coleslaw, tomato soup Add to salt for celery salt to season vegetable dishes.

#### Cinnamon

Sweet, warm, nutty taste *Uses:* Cinnamon rolls, pie, sweet potatoes Serve as swizzle stick with coffee or hot chocolate

#### **Cloves**

Pungent, medicinal Uses: Gingerbread, ham, fruit chutney Stick whole cloves in onions to flavor stews.

#### Coriander

Lemony and frangrant Uses: Salsa, bean tacos thai foods For richer flavor lightly toast coriander seeds. Fresh Coriander is called cilantro or chinese parsley.

# **Cumin**

Hot bitter caraway like taste Uses: Black bean Soup, curried vegtables and cabbage. Gives punch to chili and curry.

#### Fennel Seed

Uses: Bouillabaise, Potato salad, cakes Flavor is intense so best to use sparingly.

#### Ginger

Sweet and biting

Uses: Cakes and fish, soup, ale. Fresh, ground or candied, it adds bite.

# Nutmeg

Warm, Spicy, milder than cinnamon. Uses: Eggnog poundcake, Italian meat sauce. Best freshly grated. Outer shell is mace.

# Chinese Five Spice Powder

Cinnamon, cloves, Szechaun pepper, ginger, star anise.

Uses: To flavor Chinese food can be used in Duck and stews

## Chili Powder

Chili peppers, cumin, salt, oregano, garlic. Uses in fillings for taco's, burritos, and most Mexican dishes including Chili.

#### **Quarte** Epice

Cinnamon, clove, nutmeg, White pepper. Uses: In Middle Eastern Cooking, Soups, Stews and Sausage.

## Curry Powder

Mix usually contains cumin, turmeric, coriande r,ginger,

fenugreek and cayenne.

Uses: Indian Dishes such as Curry.