# Easy Medium Salsa

## **Ingredients**

- 1 jalapeño chile <sup>1</sup>
- 1 fresno chile  $^1$
- 1 eight-ounce can tomato sauce
- 1 fourteen-ounce can diced tomatoes
- 6 cherry/grape tomatoes
- 3/4 tsp orange blossom honey
- bottled lemon juice
- fresh cilantro
- salt & pepper
- powdered garlic, onion, and cumin

### Equipment

- A medium or small mixing bowl
- An immersion blender
- A 1/4 tsp measuring spoon
- A knife and cutting surface

#### **Process**

- 1. Cut off and discard the tops of your chiles.<sup>2</sup>
- 2. Add the herbs and spices to the bowl along with the tomatoes and sauce, visually judging conservative amounts.
- 3. Blend until fairly smooth.
- 4. Taste for salt and spices, adding more if desired, then mix in the honey and a few squeezes of bottled lemon juice.
- 5. For best flavor, let rest in the refrigerator for twenty-four hours.

#### Summary

With a total time to prep of around five minutes, this is an extremely easy way to use up a couple of left-over chiles.

- 1. You can also use any other medium chiles you have lying around. The whole point of this recipe is to use up leftover peppers and cilantro.
- 2. For a milder salsa, also remove the seeds from your chiles.