

## **INGREDIENTS**

For the roasted tomatoes:

**12 oz** Pure Flavor® RedRoyals® Sweet Cherry Tomatoes On-the-Vine

**6** sprigs thyme

3 garlic cloves, thinly sliced

1 cup green olives, pitted

1 tbsp extra-virgin olive oil

Salt & pepper, to taste

## For the dip:

1 cup whole milk ricotta cheese

**1 cup** low-fat cottage cheese

2 tbsp extra-virgin olive oil, divided

1 tbsp lemon juice

1/4 tsp za'atar, optional

Pepper, to taste

Fresh thyme, for garnish



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## **DIRECTIONS**

- 1 Preheat oven to 450°F. Place the tomatoes, olives, sliced garlic, and thyme sprigs on a baking sheet. Drizzle with oil and season with salt & pepper to taste. Toss to combine.
- Roast until tomatoes are soft and begin to burst about 10 minutes. Switch the oven to the broil setting and broil until tomatoes are blistered and charred, about 3 minutes.
- While the tomatoes roast, combine ricotta cheese, cottage cheese, 1 tablespoon olive oil, lemon juice, and za'atar in the bowl of a food processor. Blend until smooth, 2 to 3 minutes, scraping down the sides of the bowl as needed.

- 4 Spread mixture onto a large shallow serving plate and place in refrigerator to chill while the tomatoes finish cooking.
- To serve, top the whipped ricotta with the warm roasted cherry tomatoes and olives. Drizzle with remaining olive oil and garnish with fresh thyme.

Pro Tip: If you don't have za'atar, you can substitute  $\frac{1}{8}$  teaspoon of dried thyme and  $\frac{1}{8}$  teaspoon of oregano.











