

Worcestershire sauce

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Fermented anchovy, tamarind, vinegar and molasses. Aged in the barrel before bottling; it was preserved before it reached the shop.

How long it keeps

Unopened, this keeps **a year** — which is what puts it on [the long shelf](#).

As sold	Unopened, in the cupboard	Once opened
as sold	1 year	—

Counted from the day you bought it. Figures are the **USDA FSIS FoodKeeper** table's, for unopened storage at room temperature; FoodKeeper counts a month as 30 days.

FoodKeeper's own note: *Refrigeration ensures that commercial sauces and condiments stay fresh for a longer period of time. Shelf-stable commercial worcestershire sauce is safe when stored at room temperature after opening. Quality, not safety, is the reason the labels on these products suggest that they be refrigerated after opening.*

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