Carrot Ginger Cupcakes Poetry & Pies

prep time: 20-25 minutes (includes time to make the frosting)
bake time: 15-18 minutes
total time: 45 minutes (plus cooling time)

servings: about 24

Ingredients

- 2 ¼ cups (306g) flour, sifted
- 2 teaspoons (8g) baking powder
- 1 teaspoon (5g) baking soda
- ½ teaspoon (3g) sea salt
- 1 tablespoon (8g) ground cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon (4g) ground ginger
- ½ teaspoon (1g) ground nutmeg
- ½ teaspoon (1g) ground allspice
- 4 large eggs, room temperature
- 1 cup (200g) brown sugar
- ½ cup (100g) granulated sugar
- 1 tablespoon (13g) <u>pure vanilla extract</u>
- 1 cup (224g) avocado or grape seed oil (can sub vegetable or canola)
- 2 packed cups (200g) freshly grated carrots
- one batch <u>cinnamon spice buttercream</u>

Instructions

- 1. Preheat oven to 325F/165C. Line two <u>cupcake</u> pans by with <u>cupcake liners</u>.
- 2. Peel the carrots then grate using a fine to <u>medium grater</u>. Don't squeeze any liquid from them.



- 3. Using a <u>fine mesh sieve</u>, sift and whisk together the flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt, and spices. Set aside.
- In the bowl of a stand mixer fitted with the whisk attachment (or a large mixing bowl using with a <u>hand mixer</u>), beat the eggs on high until light and fluffy, about 2 minutes. Add the sugars and beat on high until light and fluffy, about 1 minute more. Scrape the bowl. Add the vanilla and beat on high until fully blended, about 30 seconds.
- 5. With the mixer on medium, stream in the oil very slowly. It should take a good minute for it to mix in. Continue beating another minute to fully emulsion the oil.
- 6. Gently fold in the flour mixture until mostly blended-there should be some dry bits of flour left. Gently fold in the carrots, which will blend in the remaining flour.
- 7. Divide evenly between cupcake pans, filling each liner about $\frac{2}{3}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ full. Bake on middle rack for 15-18 minutes, or until a toothpick inserted in the middle comes out with just a few moist crumbs. Set the pan on a baking rack to cool.
- 8. Let cupcakes cool in the pans for 10 minutes before removing to a cooling rack until cooled completely.
- 9. When the cakes are fully cooled, make the cinnamon spice buttercream. Other great options are: <u>cream cheese frosting</u>, <u>vanilla bean</u>, <u>cinnamon vanilla bean</u>, or <u>brown sugar spice</u>.
- 10. Frost completely cooled cupcakes, using a piping tip or offset spatula.

Enjoy!

Store in an airtight container. Cupcakes will last 3-5 days at room temperature.