

Pumpkin Bread

Instructions:

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit.
- Sift the dry ingredients together in a bowl. Add nuts, or chocolate chips (if using). Mix well.
- In a separate bowl or mixer, mix the butter and sugar; add one egg at a time until well combined.
- Add the pumpkin, milk, and vanilla to the butter/sugar mixture.
- Mix the wet and dry ingredients until well combined. Do not over mix.
- Bake in the oven for 45 55 minutes or until an inserted toothpick comes out clean.
- After baking, allow it to cool completely.
- Slice into 1–2-inch slices, wrap in plastic wrap and freeze in a freezer bag.
- In the morning, remove from freezer and allow to come to room temperature or reheat. Spread with butter or nut butter of choice. Enjoy!
- Nutrition Facts, per slice (approximate)

 178 calories, 6 gm fat, 21 mg cholesterol, 213 mg sodium, 28 gm carbs, 3 gm fiber, 2.1 gm protein, 20 mcg vitamin A

Health benefits:

- Pumpkin This fruit, its seeds and peel are a rich source of vitamins A, C and E, potassium, manganese, copper, fiber, antioxidants, improves health of skin, gut, eyes, heart and stabilizes blood pressure, blood sugar, reduces inflammation and fights cancer. Supports healthy weight (fat-free) and the oil from the seeds are a rich source of fatty acids.
- Spices Anti-inflammatory and anti-cancer properties, improves blood sugar, reduces pain, improves digestion, supports weight loss.

* Recipe modifications:

- When substituting flour, some grains (almond, millet, oatmeal, buckwheat) will have a granular texture that will affect the taste and texture of the bread. Coconut flour has a high absorbency rate and can substitute for up to 1/3 cup of regular flour; add one additional egg or ¼ cup of liquid per ¼ 1/3 cup of coconut flour in the recipe.
- Sugar can be reduced by up to 1/3 cup with very little impact on the taste. For each 1 cup of sugar, you can use 2/3 cup instead to reduce calories and the amount of sugar.



- •* 3 cups gluten free flour (almond, brown rice, teff, coconut, oatmeal, buckwheat sorghum, millet, cassava)
- •2 tsp baking soda
- 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp salt (Sea, Kosher or Himalayan)
- 1 tsp ground nutmeg
- 3 tsp ground cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp ground ginger
- * 3 cups granulated sugar (coconut, maple, or date) or 1
 1/3 cup honey, date syrup, agave syrup, or maple syrup
- •1/2 cup unsalted butter or vegan butter (softened)
- ½ cup oil (grapeseed, olive, avocado, or coconut)
- •4 eggs or egg substitute/replacer
- •2 cups organic pureed pumpkin (15 ounces)
- •2/3 cup plain kefir, coconut milk, buttermilk, plain yogurt, or sour cream
- •2 tsp pure vanilla extract

Optional: ¼ cup activated nuts, chocolate chips or nondairy chocolate chips

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