GINGERBREAD PROTEIN CUPCAKES WITH CREAM CHEESE FROSTING

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PREP TIME: 10 MIN COOK TIME: 18-20 MINS TOTAL TIME: 30 MIN SERVINGS: 12

INGREDIENTS

2 cups whole wheat flour 1 tsp baking powder 1/2 tsp baking soda 2 tbsp ground ginger 1/2 tsp ground cinnamon 1/4 tsp ground nutmeg 1/4 tsp ground cloves 1/4 tsp salt 1 tbsp unsalted butter melted and cooled slightly 2 large egg whites 1 1/2 tsp vanilla extract 3/4 cup plain nonfat Greek yogurt 1/4 cup molasses 1/4 cup pure maple syrup 1/3 cup + 1 tbsp Premier Protein Vanilla Shake

Frosting:

4oz fat free cream cheese 1/2 cup plain nonfat greek yogurt 3/4 tsp stevia 1/4 cup Premier Protein Vanilla Shakes (optional)

DIRECTIONS

Preheat the oven to 350°F. Line 12 muffin cups with cupcake liners. Whisk together the flour and next 7 ingredients (through salt) in a medium bowl. In a separate bowl, whisk together the butter, egg whites, and vanilla. Stir in the yogurt, mixing until no large lumps remain. Stir in the molasses and maple syrup. Alternate between adding the flour mixture and protein to the yogurt mixture, beginning and ending with the flour mixture, and stirring just until incorporated.

Bake for 19–22 minutes or until the tops feel firm to the touch and a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean. Cool the cupcakes in the pan for 5 minutes before transferring to a wire rack to cool completely.

To prepare the frosting, beat together the Greek yogurt, cream cheese, protein and stevia in a small bowl until smooth. Spread on top of the cooled cupcakes, and sprinkle with cinnamon if desired.

