



## Morning Glory Muffins

Servings 12 | Prep time 20 mins. | Total time 35-48 mins.

Equipment: Muffin tin, Paper baking cups for muffins, Measuring cups and spoons, Grater, Cup to soak raisins, Small bowl for liquid ingredients, Large mixing bowls Utensils: Peeler, Knife, Mixing spoon, Spoon or

## Ingredients

spatula to mix, Toothpick

Non-stick spray or paper baking cups

- 1/2 cup raisins or dried cranberries, chopped
- dried plus or other dried fruit
- 2 cups whole wheat flour
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 2 teaspoons baking soda
- 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon (optional)
- 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger (optional)
- 1/2 teaspoon salt (optional)
- 3 carrots, grated (about 2 cups)
- 1 large tart apple, grated
- 1/2 cup shredded coconut, sweetened OR unsweetened
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts (optional)
- 1/3 cup sunflower seeds or wheat germ (optional)3 large eggs
- 2/3 cup vegetable or canola oil
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract (regular or imitation)
- 1/4 cup orange juice

Nutritional Information: Calories 280 Total Fat 14g Sodium 240mg Total Carbs 36g Protein 5g

## Instructions

- 1. Before you begin wash your hands, surfaces, utensils, fruits and vegetables.
- 2. Preheat the oven to 375 degrees.
- 3. Lightly spray muffin tin with non-stick spray or line paper baking cups.
- In a small bowl or cup, cover the raisins with hot water. Set them aside to soak while you assemble the rest of the recipe.
- 5. In a large bowl, whisk together the flour, sugar, baking soda, spices, and salt.
- 6. Stir in carrots, apple, coconut, nuts, and sunflower seeds or wheat germ into the bowl with the flour mixture.
- 7. In a separate bowl, beat together the eggs, oil, vanilla, and orange juice.
- 8. Add liquid mixture to flour mixture and stir until evenly moistened.
- 9. Drain the raisins and stir them in.
- Divide the batter among the cups of the prepared pan. They'll be full almost to the top.
- 11. Bake the muffins for 15-18 minutes for regular and 25-28 minutes for large muffins, until they're nicely domed.When done, a toothpick inserted in the center of one of the middle muffins will come out clean.
- 12. Remove from the oven, let cool for 5 minutes in pan or rack. Then turn out of pans to finish cooling.
- 13. Put any leftovers in an airtight container. Store at room temperature for several days. You can store in the freezer up to 3 months.