## MATCHA FRENCH MACAROONS, RASPBERRY CREAM CHEESE FILLING FIT



Nutrition Info (per serving): Cal: 190, Total Fat: 5g, Sat Fat: 1g, Sodium: 50mg, Carbs: 30g, Protein: 4g, Sugar: 27g, Fiber: 1g

Yield: 21 servings

Raspberries	3 oz	Matcha Powder	2 tsp
Cream Cheese, Neufchatel	8 oz	Almond Flour	6 oz
Powdered Sugar	¼ cup	Powdered Sugar	2 cups
Egg Whites	6 each	Cooking Spray	as needed
Sugar	1 ½ cup	Matcha Powder	1 tsp

- Press raspberries through a fine mesh strainer. Discard seeds from strainer and set raspberry puree aside.
- 2. Allow cream cheese to come to room temperature. In a bowl, stir cream cheese until smooth and softened. Add raspberry puree and powdered sugar until evenly mixed. If piping filling, place cream cheese filling in a piping bag and chill.
- 3. Place egg whites in a large bowl. Whip with stand or hand mixer until peaks begin to form.
- 4. Add 3/4 cup of the sugar to mixing bowl and continue mixing until stiff peaks form. Add remaining granulated sugar and continue mixing until mixture is shiny.
- 5. Sift together matcha powder, almond flour, and powdered sugar. Add almond flour mixture to egg whites. Using a rubber spatula, fold mixture for 1 minute; incorporating the dry ingredients and just slightly deflating egg whites. Place mixture in a piping bag. Cut 1/2" wide hole in the bottom of the bag.
- 6. To make cookies, trace 1 ½ inch diameter circles onto parchment paper for easy piping. Spray parchment with nonstick cooking spray. Pipe cookies into circles leaving ½ inch between cookies. Tap completed tray a few times on the counter to rid excess air
- 7. Bake cookies in 275°F oven for 7 minutes. Rotate sheet trays and bake an additional 7 minutes, or until cookies are set. Allow cookies to cool and harden.
- FOOD Spoon or pipe ½ tbsp room temperature cream cheese filling between two cookies making a "sandwich". Using a sifter, garnish cookies with remaining 1 tsp matcha powder.

## ICED CUCUMBER LEMON MATCHA



Nutrition Info (per serving): Cal: 80, Total Fat: 0g, Sat Fat: 0g, Sodium: 10mg, Carbs: 20g, Protein: 0g, Sugar: 20g, Fiber: 0g

Portion Size: 12 fl oz Yield: 1 serving

Matcha Powder 3/4 tsp Warm Water 9 fl oz 1 ½ tbsp Sugar Water 1 ½ tbsp English Cucumber Ribbons 1 oz (2 each)

Lemon Juice 3 tbsp

- 1. Whisk matcha powder into warm water until dissolved. Chill.
- 2. Make a simple syrup by combining sugar and water in a pot. Bring mixture to a simmer and stir until sugar is dissolved. Chill mixture.
- 3. To make cucumber ribbons, cut cucumber in half width wise. Use a mandolin to cut halved cucumber into ribbons lengthwise.
- 4. Combine matcha tea mixture, simple syrup and lemon juice and pour over ice. Garnish with cucumber slices.

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