5 Great Baking Tips

Boost whole wheat in any recipe: for each cup flour, spoon 1/3 to 1/2 cup whole wheat flour in bottom of measuring cup; add enriched flour for remainder of cup and level.



- Reduced fat spreads or margarines should not be substituted for real butter or margarine.
- Need gluten-free baking advice? Visit HomeBaking.org.
- For equal sweetness and less sugar: for one cup sugar, use 1/2 cup Stevia/sugar blend or 2/3 cup agave nectar and 1/4 cup less liquid (Refer to brand's label.)
- Multi-grain baking: spoon 2 tablespoons to 1/4 cup of any non-wheat flour or meal in bottom of 1 cup measure; add wheat flour for remainder of cup and level.



Ingredient Substitution Guide

1 cup all-purpose flour = 1/2 cup all-purpose flour + 1/2 cup whole wheat flour

1 cup all-purpose flour = 1 cup + 2 tablespoons cake flour

1 cup cake flour = 7/8 cup (1 cup minus 2 tablespoons) all-purpose flour + 2 tablespoons corn starch

1 cup self-rising flour = 1 cup cake or all-purpose flour + 11/2 teaspoon baking powder + 1/2 teaspoon salt

1 cup self-rising cornmeal = 3/4 cup + 3 tablespoons white or yellow cornmeal + 1 tablespoon baking powder + 1/2 teaspoon salt

1 pkg. (1/4 oz.) active dry yeast = 2 1/4 teaspoons (1/4 oz.) fast-rising yeast OR1(1/2 oz.) cake compressed yeast

1 teaspoon baking powder = 1 teaspoon baking soda + 1/2 teaspoon cream of tartar

1 cup honey = 11/4 cups sugar OR 2 cups powdered sugar + 1/4 cup liquid

1 cup buttermilk or sour milk = 1 tablespoon lemon juice OR vinegar plus milk to make 1 cup; stir and let stand 5 minutes OR 1 cup plain yogurt thinned with milk

1 cup whole milk = 1 cup skim milk + 2 tablespoons melted butter or margarine

1 cup sour cream or crème fraiche = 1 cup 2% or 10% plain Greek-style yogurt

1 tablespoon cornstarch = 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour OR 4 teaspoons guick-cooking tapioca

1 cup packed brown sugar = 1 cup white granulated sugar creamed with 2 tablespoons molasses

1 ounce unsweetened chocolate = 3 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa plus 1 tablespoon shortening

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1 large egg = 2 egg whites + 1/2 teaspoon vegetable oil OR 1 tablespoon milled flax + 3 tablespoons water OR 1/4 cup soft tofu



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