Upside-Down Cake with Caramelized Apple Slices



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Prep Time: 20 Min Total Time: 20 Min

This upside-down cake features tender, caramelized apples on top of a soft and moist, fluffy base, creating a showstopping dessert that's as delicious as it is beautiful

Ingredients

Cake Batter:

- 3 large eggs
- 1/2 cup (100 g) sugar
- 4 oz (115 g) unsalted butter, melted
- 1 cup (240 g) plain Greek yogurt
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 tablespoon (16 g) baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups (240 g) all-purpose flour

Apple Topping:

- 2 apples (I used Pink Lady) sliced 2 mm thick
- 1/4 cup water
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon, optional

Instructions

- 1. Preheat the oven to 350°F (175°C). Line the bottom of an 8-inch springform round pan with parchment paper and grease the sides with baking spray or butter. Set aside.
- 2. In a large mixing bowl, beat the eggs and sugar with a hand mixer on high speed for about 3 minutes, until light and fluffy. Add the melted butter, Greek yogurt, and vanilla extract, and beat well. Sift in the baking powder, salt, and flour. Beat on medium-low until just combined. Fold the batter gently with a spatula. Set aside.
- 3. Arrange the apple slices, peel side down, in a circular pattern on the bottom of the prepared pan, covering as much surface as possible.
- 4. In a small saucepan, combine the water, sugar, and cinnamon (if using). Bring to a boil over medium heat, swirling the pan occasionally until the mixture turns a caramel-like amber color. Pour the caramel over the arranged apple slices. You can pour half of it and save the rest to drizzle on top of the cake once baked.
- 5. Gently scoop the batter over the apples, spreading it evenly. Place the pan on a baking sheet to catch any potential spills. Bake for 35-40 minutes, or until a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean. Allow the cake to cool for at least 5 minutes. Run a knife around the edges, then invert the cake onto a serving plate. Slice and enjoy!