

## **Chef Stacey's Pumpkin Scones**

Prep Time: 45 minutes | Bake Time: 20-25 minutes

## **Ingredients**

- 3 3/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup cake flour
- 3/8 cup granulated sugar
- 1 tablespoon + 3/4 teaspoon baking powder
- 3/4 teaspoon kosher salt
- 3/4 teaspoon pumpkin spice
- 4 ounces unsalted butter, room temperature
- 1/2 cup buttermilk
- 5 ounces fresh pumpkin purée
- Heavy cream (about 1 cup), as needed

## **Directions**

- 1. Whisk together all-purpose flour, cake flour, sugar, baking powder, salt, and pumpkin spice until fully combined.
- 2. Add butter. Using your fingers, smoosh the butter into the flour mixture until peasized pieces form.
- 3. Add buttermilk and pumpkin purée. Mix gently.
- 4. Add enough heavy cream to bring the dough together. Avoid overmixing.

- 5. Scoop dough with an ice cream scoop or form by hand. Refrigerate for 30 minutes.
- 6. Bake at 350°F for 20 minutes, or until slightly golden. Reduce cooking time for mini scones.
- 7. Ensure internal temperature reaches at least 180°F.
- 8. Cool scones for 5 minutes before applying glaze.

## **Chef Ron's Notes**

- I like to prepare this recipe in advance, portion scones and freeze on sheet pan.
  After frozen fill airtight bags with scones and use bake when desired. \*Will last 6 months in freezer.
- When ready to bake, place on parchment lined sheet pan and let temper at room temperature for at least 15 minutes before baking.
- Experiment with a glazes including; simple powdered sugar and warm water glaze with maple syrup or a rich cream cheese frosting sprinkled with chopped pecans and pomegranate seeds for a festive appeal.
- You can get creative with this recipe by folding in a variety of products including; white or dark chocolate chips, toasted pecans etc.