Double Chocolate Muffins

Based on the recipe by Dashing Dish

Ingredients

1 3/4 cups oats

3 eggs whites

3/4 cup cocoa powder

1/2 cup unsweetened applesauce

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

1/2 cup plain greek yogurt

1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder

1 1/2 teaspoons baking soda

1/2 teaspoon cream of tartar

1/4 teaspoon salt

1 cup hot water (not pictured)

1 cup sugar or equivalent substitute

1/2 cup mini chocolate chips, divided

In a blender or food processor, add all ingredients except chocolate chips. Blend until oats are fine and all ingredients are incorporated.

Transfer batter to a medium bowl and stir in 1/4 cup of the mini chocolate chips, reserving the rest for topping. Alternatively, stir in all the chocolate chips and forgo the topping.

Divide batter among greased muffin cups (Note: The original recipe says a yield of 12 muffins, but I filled my cups about 2/3 full and ended up with 24 muffins.)

Bake at 350 degrees F for 7 minutes. Remove from oven and evenly distribute mini chips over muffins before return to oven to bake for another 5-7 minutes. Alternatively, bake for 15 uninterrupted minutes.

Remove from oven and let cool in pan for about 5 minutes before removing to wire rack to complete cooling. Muffins can be stored in an airtight container and frozen. To enjoy, thaw in microwave for 20-30 seconds.

Makes 24 muffins.

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