## **Holiday Spice Cake**

PREP TIME: 25 minutes

TOTAL TIME: 1 hour 35 minutes

Servings: 9



Cake

2 1/2 cups whole wheat flour

1 cup sugar

1/2 cup melted coconut oil + 1 additional Tbsp for pan

2 tsp baking soda

1/2 tsp salt

3 Tbsp ground cinnamon

1 Tbsp ground ginger

1 Tbsp cacao powder

2 tsp ground nutmeg

1/2 tsp ground cloves

1/2 tsp ground black pepper

2 Tbsp ground flax seeds mixed with 4 Tbsp warm water

8 oz full fat Greek vogurt

8 oz pumpkin puree

1/4 cup molasses

Zest of 1 medium orange



- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Prepare a 9" square pan with a light coating of melted coconut oil on the bottom and each side of the pan to prevent the cake from sticking.
- 2. In a small bowl, combine the ground flax seeds with water and whisk with a fork until combined. Allow mixture to sit until thick and gelatinous, about 5 minutes.
- 3. In a large bowl, whisk together the dry ingredients including the flour, baking soda, salt, and spices and set aside. In a separate bowl, whisk the wet ingredients together including the flax eggs, melted coconut oil, greek yogurt, pumpkin puree, and molasses.
- 4. Add the dry ingredients to the wet ingredients and mix until thoroughly combined.
- 5. Pour batter into prepared pan and bake until a toothpick come out clean, about 45-50 minutes. Allow cake to cook at room temperature for at least 10 minutes before turning out onto a cake pan/platter.
- 6. To make the frosting, combine the cream cheese, maple syrup, and orange zest in a standing mixer or a handheld mixer on medium speed until light and fluffy. Once the cake is cooled, evenly frost the cake, sprinkle with a light dusting of cinnamon, and cut into 9 servings. Enjoy a slice of spice cake with a warm cup of tea! You may store any leftover cake in an air tight container in the fridge for up to 5 days.

