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Spring Fling Mini Loaf Cakes

with Pastry Chef Katie Rosenhouse

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Yield: 8 mini loaf cakes

Ingredients:

For the cakes:

34 cup unsalted butter, at room temperature

1 (8-oz.) pkg. cream cheese, softened

1 ½ cups granulated sugar

4 large eggs

1 tsp. vanilla extract

1 ½ cups all-purpose flour

1 tsp. baking powder

1 tsp. kosher salt

(+ Other additions as desired, including lemon zest and poppy seeds, shredded carrots and coconut, spices, or marbling with cocoa powder)

For the frosting:

½ cup unsalted butter, at room temperature

2 cups confectioners' sugar

1-2 Tbsp. heavy cream or whole milk

1 tsp. vanilla extract or other flavorings as desired

Pinch of kosher salt

Procedure:

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°F.
- 2. Prepare the loaf cakes: Beat butter and cream cheese in a stand mixer fitted with a paddle attachment until smooth.
- 3. Add sugar and beat until fluffy.
- 4. Beat in eggs one at a time, then beat in vanilla.
- 5. With the mixer turned off, add dry ingredients. Beat on low speed just until combined.
- 6. (Divide and flavor batter as desired.)
- 7. Spray to coat your mini loaf pan with baker's spray.
- 8. Portion batters into pan.
- 9. Bake for 25-30 minutes until a wooden pick inserted in centers comes out clean or with a few moist bits.
- 10. Let cool in pan on a wire rack for 10 minutes, then unmold and place loaf cakes onto rack to cool completely.
- 11. Prepare the buttercream: Beat to combine butter and confectioners' sugar.
- 12. Add cream or milk, vanilla, and salt; beat until smooth and fluffy. (Divide and flavor or color as desired.)
- 13. Transfer buttercream to a piping bag fitted with a star tip. Pipe over cooled cakes and garnish as desired.

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