

Frosted Spinach Brownies

INGREDIENTS

10 ozs. spinach

1/2 cup water

3/8 cup (6 tbsps.) salted butter - melted

1/2 cup chocolate chips - melted

2 eggs, beaten slightly

1 cup sugar

2 teaspoons vanilla extract

1/2 cup cocoa powder

1/2 cup flour

1/2 teaspoon baking powder

FROSTING

5 tbsps. unsalted butter

5 tbsps. unsweetened cocoa powder

1 tsp vanilla extract

2 tbsps. milk

1 1/4 cups confectioners sugar

DIRECTIONS

1. Place spinach in a large microwave proof covered bowl. Microwave spinach on HIGH for 1 1/2

- minutes on High. Cool until able to handle to squeeze out water (using hands). Puree in food processor with 1/2 cup water. (Makes about 1 cup pureed spinach)
- 2. In large bowl mix flour, cocoa powder, and baking powder. Set aside.
- 3. Melt butter and chocolate chips on low heat in medium sized pan.. Cool slightly. Add sugar and mix. Add 2 beaten eggs slowly to mixture and blend well without over stirring. Add spinach and vanilla.
- 4. Add wet mixture to flour mixture and stir until well blended.
- 5. Grease a 8-inch square pan. Spread mixture in pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 to 35 minutes until set. Cool before frosting.
- FROSTING: In a large heatproof bowl, microwave the butter and cocoa powder until butter is melted. Beat together with a hand mixer until smooth. Add the vanilla and milk and stir. Add the confectioners sugar and stir, slowly at first, until incorporated; then beat on medium speed until frosting is smooth and creamy.

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