# Penny Crowther MID LIFE NUTRITION



# Chocolate courgette muffins

12 servings30 minutes

## Ingredients

224 grams Almond Flour (Ground Almonds)
22 grams Cocoa Powder
2 grams Sea Salt
1 gram Baking Soda (Bicarbonate of soda)
59 milliliters Extra Virgin Olive Oil
80 grams Maple Syrup
3 Egg
1 Zucchini (Courgette) (medium, grated)

## Nutrition

Amount per serving	
Calories	188
Fat	15g
Carbs	10g
Fiber	3g
Sugar	5g
Protein	6g
Potassium	102mg
Vitamin A	100IU
Vitamin C	3mg
Calcium	59mg
Iron	1mg
Vitamin D	10IU
Vitamin E	1mg
Folate	10µg
Vitamin B12	0.1µg
Magnesium	68mg
Zinc	0mg
Selenium	4µg

#### **Directions**

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Preheat your oven to 350°F (180°C) and line a muffin tin with 12 muffin cases. Brush each case with a small amount of coconut oil, to prevent sticking.

In a large mixing bowl, combine the ground almonds, cocoa powder, sea salt, and bicarbonate of soda. Mix well.

In a medium-size bowl, whisk together the olive oil, maple syrup, and eggs. Add the wet ingredients to the dry. Mix until combined then stir in the courgette.

Spoon the muffin batter between the cases, so it's evenly divided then bake for 18 to 20 minutes, or until a toothpick or skewer inserted into the centre of a muffin comes out clean.

5 Let cool completely before eating, to prevent the muffins from sticking to the cases.

#### Notes

Serving Size: One serving is equal to one muffin.

Courgette: One medium courgette is equal to about 2 cups of grated courgette.

Toppings: If you are not on a weight loss diet and can absorb the extra calories, add a topping such as coconut cream, a spoonful of almond butter or melted 85% chocolate. More Flavour: Experiment with adding espresso powder, chilli or cinnamon. Add a little extra courgette to retain the moisture in the muffins. This compensates for the extra dry ingredient added.

**Storage:** Store in the fridge for 5 days or in the freezer for a few months. If not stored in a cool place, they will go off quickly!