Almond, Quinoa & Flaxseed Pancakes



TIPS:

- 1. These pancakes have **no sugar** added to them, except for the small amount of sugar contained in vanilla extract used to make the batter, but are more flavorful and versatile than traditional flapjack pancakes.
- 2. This recipe uses estimated, not exact, measurements to make preparation faster, easier...and a lot more fun.

Preparation Time: 5-7 minutes **Cooking Time:** about 20 minutes for one batch of four 6-8 inch (15-20 cm) diameter pancakes

Ingredients

(for four 6-8 inch (15-20 cm) diameter pancakes)

Ground Almond or Almond Flour
Cooked Quinoa
Ground Flaxseed
Whole Wheat Flour (I'm using whole
wheat pastry flour for its finer consistency,
but any whole wheat, or even regular
wheat flour, will work)
Dash Salt (optional)
Shot of Vanilla Extract
Shake of Ground Cinnamon
Milk
Butter or Margarine



Equipment

10 Inch Frying Pan Spatula Ladle or Large Spoon Medium Sized Bowl Table Knife Fork



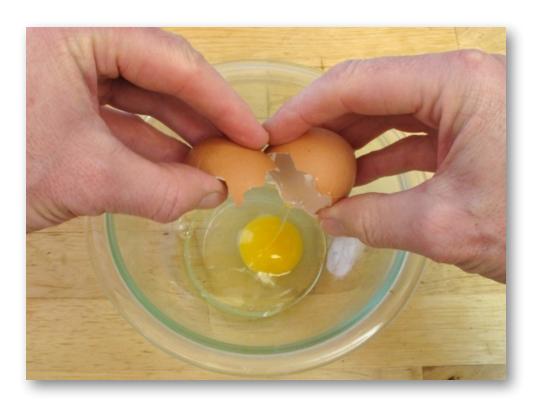
1. Put the frying pan on the stove, and turn on the burner to MEDIUM heat.





2. While the pan warms, make the **batter** by adding the following **ingredients** to a medium sized bowl:

1 egg



Dash of salt (optional)



Shot of vanilla extract (about 1 teaspoon)



Shake of ground cinnamon



About as much cooked quinoa as shown here (2-3 tablespoons)



About as much ground flaxseed as shown here (1-2 tablespoons)



About as much ground almond or almond flour as shown here (1-2 tablespoons)



About as much whole wheat (or any) flour as shown here (1-2 tablespoons)



Good shot of milk



3. Use a fork to stir the **batter** until all the **ingredients** are completely mixed together as shown in the right photo below.





Add and stir in more milk until...





...the **batter** is thin enough to run off the fork about as shown here.



4. Check the frying pan for the proper cooking temperature by wetting your fingers with tap water and flicking the water onto the pan surface. The water should sizzle and evaporate. (**NOTE:** If the water sizzles and evaporates in a puff as soon as it hits the pan, move the pan to a cool burner

for a few minutes. Turn down the stove heat setting on the burner you originally used, and heat the pan again. If the water doesn't sizzle, keep warming the pan until the water sizzles on contact.)





5. When the pan is warm enough to cook, add a 1/4 - 1/2 inch slab (5-10 mm) of butter or margarine to the pan.



Swirl the **butter** or **margarine** in the pan by holding the pan handle and rolling your wrist until...





...the pan surface is coated evenly with **melted butter** or **margarine** like this.



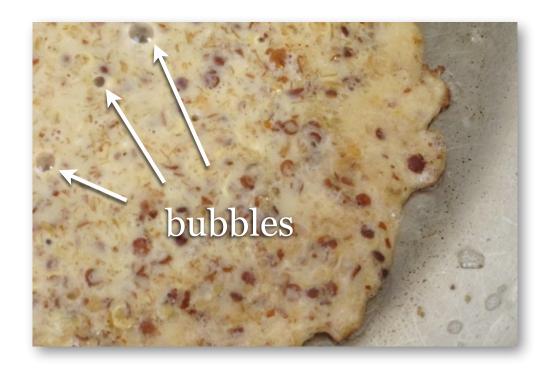
6. Ladle the **batter** into the pan to make **pancakes** 6-8 inches (15-20 cm) in diameter. (Tip the pan side to side and forward to backward

to spread the **batter** evenly as shown in the picture to the right below.)





7. Cook for 1-2 minutes until the **top of the batter** bubbles and...

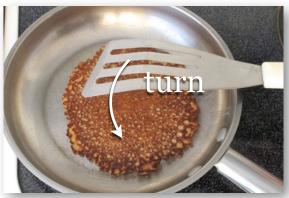


...the **bottom of the pancake**, when gently lifted with a spatula, has browned lightly.



When the **bottom of the pancake** has browned as shown above, slide a spatula under the **pancake**, and turn it over bottom-side up.





8. Cook for another 30 seconds to 1 minute until the **bottom of the pancake**, when lifted again with a spatula, is lightly browned about as shown here.



9. When the **pancake** is fully cooked as shown above, slide the **cooked pancake** out of the pan onto a plate, and...



...repeat steps 5-9 until all the **batter** is finished.



10. Serve warm with your **favorite toppings**. Here's one of my favorites: **almond**, **quinoa** & **flaxseed pancake** wrapped around **almond butter** and topped with **plain Greek yogurt**, **fresh fruit** (strawberries and mango are shown here), **dried fruit**, and a **good shot of** whipped cream.



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