

## LEMON POPPY SEED SQUASH BREAD

Courtesy of The Remedy Kitchen

## **INGREDIENTS**

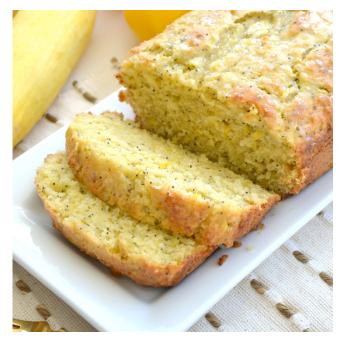
- 1 cup butter melted
- 2 cups (15 ounces) granulated sugar
- 1/2 tablespoon finely grated lemon zest from about 1 ½ large lemons
- 1/4 cup fresh lemon juice from about 1 1/2 large lemons
- 1 teaspoon pure almond extract
- 1/2 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
- 3 large eggs
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 3 cups (15 ounces) all-purpose white flour divided



• 1 tablespoon poppy seeds

## DIRECTIONS

- 1. Preheat oven to 325 degrees F. Place oven rack in the center of the oven. Generously spray two 8.5-inch loaf pans with cooking spray and coat evenly with flour to prevent sticking.
- 2. In a large mixing bowl, add melted butter, white sugar, lemon zest, lemon juice, almond and vanilla extract and cream together until fluffy and light in color.
- 3. Add the eggs, one at a time, and mix until fully incorporated before adding another.
- 4. Evenly sprinkle the salt, baking soda, and baking powder over the top of the mixture and mix well.
- 5. Add the flour one cup at a time and mix entirely between additions.



- 6. With a rubber spatula, gently fold in the summer squash and poppy seeds.
- 7. Divide the batter evenly between the two prepared loaf pans.
- 8. Bake at 325 degrees F for 60-65 minutes or until a skewer inserted into the middle of the loaf comes out clean. Be careful not to check the loaves early or you may cause them to sink slightly in the middle.
- 9. Place loaves on cooling rack to cool 5-10 minutes before carefully removing from the loaf pans to cool completely (about an hour). Store covered well for about three days or loaves can be frozen.