# GLUTEN FREE, PALEO & KETO BREAD

COURSE: BREAD, SIDE DISH

CUISINE: DAIRY FREE, GLUTEN FREE, GRAIN FREE, ITALIAN, KETOGENIC

PREP TIME: 15 MINUTES COOK TIME: 30 MINUTES RESTING TIME: 40 MINUTES TOTAL TIME: 45 MINUTES SERVINGS: SLICES CALORIES: 174 KCAL



### **INGREDIENTS**

### FOR THE PALEO & KETO BREAD

- 2 teaspoons active dry yeast
- 2 teaspoons <u>maple syrup</u> or honey, to feed the yeast (NO SUGAR WILL BE REMAIN POST BAKE)\*
- 1/2 cup water lukewarm between 105-110°F
- 1 3/4 cups almond flour \*\*
- 3/4 cup golden flaxseed meal finely ground
- 1/4 cup whey protein isolate
- 2 tablespoons psyllium husk finely ground
- 2 teaspoons <u>xanthan gum</u> or 4 teaspoons ground flaxseed meal\*\*
- 2 teaspoons <u>baking powder</u>
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/4 teaspoon <u>cream of tartar</u>
- 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1 egg at room temperature
- 3 egg whites about 3, at room temperature
- 1/4 cup grass-fed butter or ghee, melted and cooled
- 1 tablespoon <u>apple cider vinegar</u>
- 1/4 cup sour cream or coconut cream + 2 tsp apple cider vinegar

Metric - US CUPS

## INSTRUCTIONS

#### FOR THE PALEO & KETO BREAD

- 1. See recipe video for guidance on keto yeast breads. And check out the post for deets, tips and possible subs!
- 2. Line a 8.5 x 4.5 inch loaf pan with parchment paper (an absolute must!). Set aside.
- 3. Add yeast and maple syrup (to feed the yeast, see notes) to a large bowl. Heat up water to 105-110°F, and if you don't have a thermometer it should only feel lightly warm to touch. Pour water over yeast mixture, cover bowl with a kitchen towel and allow to rest for 7 minutes. The mixture should be bubbly, if it isn't start again (too cold water won't activate the yeast and too hot will kill it).
- 4. Mix your flours while the yeast is proofing. Add almond flour, flaxseed meal, whey protein powder, psyllium husk, xanthan gum, baking powder, salt, cream of tartar and ginger to a medium bowl and whisk until thoroughly mixed. Set aside.
- 5. Once your yeast is proofed, add in the egg, egg whites, lightly cooled melted butter (you don't want to scramble the eggs or kill the yeast!) and vinegar. Mix with an electric mixer for a couple minutes until light and frothy. Add the flour mixture in two batches, alternating with the sour cream, and mixing until thoroughly incorporated. You want to mix thoroughly and quickly to activate the xanthan gum, though the dough will become thick as the flours absorb the moisture.
- 6. Transfer bread dough to prepared loaf pan, using a wet spatula to even out the top. Cover with a kitchen towel and place in a warm draft-free space for 50-60 minutes until the dough has risen just past the top of the loaf pan. How long it takes depends on your altitude, temperature and humidity- so keep an eye out for it every 15 minutes or so. And keep in mind that if you use a larger loaf pan it won't rise past the top.
- 7. Preheat oven to 350°F/180°C while the dough is proofing. And if you're baking at high altitude, you'll want to bake it at 375°F/190°C.
- 8. Place the loaf pan over a baking tray and transfer gently into the oven. Bake for 45-55 minutes until deep golden, covering with a lose foil dome at minute 10-15 (just as it begins to brown). Just be sure that the foil isn't resting directly on the bread.
- 9. Allow the bread to rest in the loaf pan for 5 minutes and transfer it to a cooling rack. Allow to cool completely for best texture- this is an absolute must, as your keto loaf will continue to cook while cooling! Also keep in mind that some slight deflating is normal, don't sweat it!
- 10. Keep stored in an airtight container (or tightly wrapped in cling film) at room temperature for 4-5 days, giving it a light toast before serving. Though you'll find that this keto bread is surprisingly good even without toasting!