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**Cream Filled Pumpkin Cupcakes** 



## Ingredients

2 cups sugar 3/4 cup canola oil 1 can (15 ounces) solid-pack pumpkin 4 eggs 2 cups all-purpose flour 2 teaspoons baking soda 1 teaspoon salt I teaspoon baking powder 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon 1/2 cup shortening 1/4 cup butter, softened 2 cups confectioners' sugar 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract, optional Whole cloves, optional <strong>FILLING:</strong> 1 tablespoon cornstarch 1 cup milk

## Preparation

- 1 In a large bowl, beat the sugar, oil, pumpkin and eggs until well blended. Combine the flour, baking soda, salt, baking powder and cinnamon
- 2 gradually beat into pumpkin mixture until well blended. Fill paper-lined muffin cups twothirds full. Bake at 350° for 18-22 minutes or until a toothpick inserted near the center comes out clean. Cool for 10 minutes before removing from pans to wire.

## Cooks Note

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