

Olive Oil Cake with Lime and Ricotta

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makes 19"cake

What You'll Need:

2 cups (240 grams) all-purpose flour

2 teaspoons baking powder

1/2 teaspoon kosher salt (Diamond brand)

1 cup (200 grams) granulated sugar

2 generous tablespoons lime zest

3 large eggs

3/4 cup (160 grams) extra virgin olive oil

3/4 cup (200 grams) ricotta cheese

1/2 cup (115 grams) fresh lime juice

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

1 1/2 cups (249 grams) blueberries

What You'll Do:

- 1. Heat the oven to 325 degrees F.
- 2. Grease a 9" springform pan. Line the bottom with a circle of parchment.
- 3. Using your clean and dried hands, rub the lime zest into the sugar. The idea is to get all that lush, aromatic citrus oil coating the sugar crystals. This is a great tip for whenever you are making something with zest. The longer you let it sit, the stronger the flavor will get.
- 4. In a small bowl, whisk together the flour, baking powder and salt.
- 5. In a large bowl, whisk the sugar and the eggs together until light in color and frothy.
- 6. Add the olive oil, ricotta, lime juice and vanilla extract and whisk gently until combined.
- 7. Use a silicone spatula (or equivalent) to fold in the flour mixture. When the last bit of flour disappears, fold in the blueberries. Don't overmix.
- 8. Pour the batter into the prepared pan and smooth it to the edges. Bake for about 50 minutes, until the cake is golden and a toothpick inserted in the middle comes out clean.
- 9. Let cool for 10 minutes on a rack, then release the springform and leave the cake to cool completely. It's very nice the first day, but like I suggested, it gets better each day.