# Lemon Elixir

This natural detoxifier stimulates digestion, releases toxins from your liver and jumpstarts your digestive enzymes.

## Chef Karolina's Raw Chocolate Truffles

Dessert can taste decadent without sabotaging your diet or your health. The perfect craving-busters, these one-bite wonders are a sweet, soothing summer treat (no oven required!) or can be dressed up for holiday parties.

- 1 cup raw cacao powder
- 1 cup raw cashews or macadamia nuts
- 1/2 cup real maple syrup
- Water (to mix)
- Shredded unsweetened coconut, chopped nuts, chocolate nibs, raw sugar, cacao powder, ginger or something else you love (optional roll-in ingredients)
- 1. Mix cashews in a food processor until it forms a powder, slowly adding enough water to create a thick paste.
- 2. Add maple syrup to cashews and pulse to process. Add cacao powder and pulse to process.
- 3. Refrigerate four hours or overnight for best results.
- 4. Form teaspoon-size balls of dough. Coat them in your chosen roll-in ingredients! Makes 25 truffles.

### Banana Cashew-Vegan Ice Cream

This is the one time it's okay to deceive your mother. Blending frozen bananas and cashew butter creates a creamy, sumptuous "ice cream" that doesn't miss the dairy. Mom will have no clue it's healthy and you get bonus points for making homemade dessert.

- 3 tablespoons cashew butter (no sugar added)
- 5 frozen bananas
- I teaspoon vanilla extract
- Pinch cinnamon
- Chopped cashews (optional topping)
- Coconut flakes (optional topping)
- Organic cacao nibs (optional topping)
- Combine cashew butter, bananas, vanilla and cinnamon in a Vitamix and blend until creamy consistency. Serve topped with cashews, coconut flakes or cacao nibs.

You can pre-make ice cream and keep in freezer. Defrost 10 to 15 minutes before serving.

#### **Prosecco Spritzer**

Mother's Day isn't complete without a proper toast to mom. This innovative spritzer combines a mom favorite – Earl Gray tea – with bubbles. Pair with it TLC.

1/2 cup date sugar

- 1/2 cup water
- 1 Earl Grey tea bag
- 1/2 teaspoon whole coriander seeds
- 1 750 ml bottle prosecco
- Make syrup by simmering sugar, water and coriander in a medium saucepan until sugar dissolves, about 4 minutes. Remove from heat, add tea bag and steep 2 minutes. Strain and cool.
- Spoon 2 teaspoons of syrup into each of 6 glasses. Top with prosecco and toast mom in style.

### Spring Green Salad

Simple doesn't have to be boring. With organic greens plus a one-minute dressing topped with healthy sprouted seeds, salad doesn't get much easier than this. Ingredients are healthy and intense, giving gourmet taste sans sugar and cheese.

- 1 head butter or green leaf lettuce
- 1 or 2 scallions, diced
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 1/2 lemon, juiced
- Sea salt and freshly ground pepper
- 2 to 3 tablespoons cold pressed extra virgin olive oil
- 2 tablespoons sprouted pumpkin or sunflower seeds (optional)
- 1. Wash and dry lettuce thoroughly using a salad spinner. Prepare your dressing as lettuce sits.
- 2. For the dressing, in a small bowl, combine mustard, lemon juice, salt and pepper and whisk well. Slowly add olive oil and whisk until smooth and well incorporated. That's it!

 Place salad in a large bowl and top with dressing immediately before serving. Sprinkle with sprouted pumpkin or sunflower seeds.

## Zucchini, Tomatoes and Rosemary Frittata

This Mother's Day frittata is just as big on flavor as it is on nutrients, thanks to loads of organic vegetables, fresh herbs and protein- and omega 2-rich eggs. It's also a fantastic base recipe that you can customize according to mom's palate. Super simple, this dish is perfect for weeknights when you're cleaning out what's left in your crisper.

- 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 2 cups zucchini, halved lengthwise and thinly sliced
- 1 cup cherry tomatoes, halved
- 5 large organic eggs
- 2 organic egg whites
- 1/4 teaspoon sea salt, divided
- 1/4 teaspoon of freshly ground pepper, divided
- 1/2 teaspoon chopped fresh rosemary
- 2 ounces grated vegan cheese or Italian Parmigiano Reggiano
- 1. Preheat the oven to broil.
- 2. Heat oil in a skillet over medium-high heat; add garlic, cook for 1 minute. Do not allow garlic to brown or it turns bitter. Add zucchini; cook 3 minutes and add the cherry tomatoes. Cook veggies until tender, stirring

continuously. Season with salt and pepper.

- 3. Meanwhile, whisk together the eggs, egg whites and rosemary, and season with salt and pepper. Pour the egg mixture over the zucchini and cook until the eggs begin to set, about 3 minutes.
- 4. Sprinkle cheese evenly over the top. Place pan under the broiler for 3 minutes or until the frittata rises slightly and becomes light and settled. Eggs should not be runny. Transfer to a serving plate, cut into pieshaped wedges and serve. I love it paired with the Spring Green Salad.