

# CITRUS OLIVE OIL CAKE WITH TART CHERRY SYRUP

The richness of olive oil, fragrant lemons, and tart cherries create a delicious dessert for any occasion.

PAIR WITH VIANSA ALTURA COLLECTION LATE HARVEST PRIMITIVO





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### For the cake

2 cups all-purpose flour

 $1 \frac{3}{4}$  cups sugar

1 teaspoons kosher salt

½ teaspoon baking soda

 $^{1}\!/_{2}$  teaspoon baking powder

1 1/3 cups extra virgin olive oil

1 1/4 cups milk

3 large eggs, room temperature

 $1\ ^{1}\!/_{2}$  tablespoons orange zest, about 1 medium orange

 $^{1}\!/_{2}$  cup orange juice

# For the syrup

4 cups frozen sweet cherries

1/4 cup water

l tablespoon cornstarch

l tablespoon lemon juice

2 tablespoons sugar

### For the cake

- 1. Heat the oven to  $350\,^{\circ}\text{F}$ . Spray a 9-inch cake pan that is at least 2 inches deep with cooking spray and line the bottom with parchment paper.
- 2. In a medium bowl, whisk the flour, sugar, salt, baking soda, and powder. In a large bowl, whisk the olive oil, milk, eggs, orange zest, and juice. Add the dry ingredients to the wet and whisk until just combined.
- 3. Pour the batter into the prepared pan and bake for 1 hour, until the top is golden and a toothpick comes out clean. It is a moist cake so there may be some crumbs that stick to the toothpick, just make sure it's not raw batter! Transfer the cake to a rack and let cool for 30 minutes.
- 4. Run a knife around the edge of the pan, invert the cake onto the rack lined with parchment paper (this avoids lines on the top of your cake) and let cool completely.

# For the syrup

- 1. In a medium saucepan, add water, cornstarch, lemon juice, and sugar.
- 2. Place over medium heat and whisk constantly until the mixture starts to thicken.
- 3. Add cherries and cook, stirring occasionally until the sauce is at a light boil, about 12–15 minutes. Once the sauce is thickened and simmering, remove from heat.
- 4. Cool to room temperature then drizzle over slices of cake. Cover and store remaining sauce in an airtight container until ready to use.

Serves 8 • Pair with Viansa Altura Collection Late Harvest Primitivo Cook Time: 1 Hour

