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MACARONS AT FRENCH CORNER CAFÉ AND BAKERY

What if you could find a sweet that calmed your sugar craving, and was as light as air to boot?

The macarons at the French Corner Café and Bakery in Palm Desert more than fill that bill. Two perfect little puffs of macaron that are melded together with just a bit of creamy filling. One, or at most two, of these two-bite beauties paired with an espresso or café au lait, make a dessert that's fit for any night of the week.

Made inhouse by pastry chef Aimeric Davy, the macarons come in 14 incredible flavors. Davy imports many of the flavor extracts from France because he can't find the true extracts here in the states. The flavors include a slightly tart true lemon (my favorite) or raspberry, to a pistachio that is as buttery as a freshly cracked nut or a chocolate that tastes like a fine piece of Belgian confection.

At \$1.60 each, they're well worth the price. Pick up a box when you have guests, or bring a dozen or two as a hostess gift in place of wine, and you'll be the favored guest at any dinner party.

—JUDITH SALKIN

DETAILS

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