

## Cupcake shops offer 'shots' of frosting

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For a small fee, customers can get a yummy dollop of their favorite frosting

Think you can handle a shot of the hard stuff? Better saddle up to the bar with your toothbrush.

The bake shop boom that has fueled the oh-so-retro love affair with cupcakes has spawned a new - albeit micro - trend that has Saturday night hipsters doing a new style of shot that won't burn your gullet like 150 proof.

Frosting shots.

And yes, it's exactly what you think it is. At a handful of cupcake storefronts around the country, the frosting shot has emerged as a short-but-sweet pick-me-up for urbanites and college students.

The gist is generally the same bakery to bakery: for a small fee, customers get a dollop of their favorite frosting in a paper or plastic cup, about the size of a frozen yogurt sample.

While some bakeries keep the frosting shot a strictly must-ask-for item, several cupcake shops have made it an official menu offering.

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