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Blast batter from a can

→ We admit, we made fun of it at first.

After all, a pancake mix that calls itself “Batter Blaster,” comes in a can that resembles squirty-whipped cream and lists “propellant” as an ingredient seems more suited for late-night talk-show jokes than it does the morning breakfast table.

But after cooking up a batch of pancakes on a Saturday morning, we have to say: The stuff ain’t half bad.

The organic pancake/waffle batter squeezes out of the steel can neatly and easily, leaving behind — moms, you’ll love this — virtually no prep time, dirtied bowls, spilled powders or ingredients to put away.

Our pancakes cooked up golden and smooth, but a little denser and not as “light and fluffy” as we would have liked. They did not taste processed or overly sweet; in fact, you might just be able to pass them off as from-scratch. And a two-pancake serving has only 80 calories. Another perk: You can make just two pancakes if you’d like, without worrying about a bowl of leftover batter.

Find Batter Blaster in major grocery chains (search your area at batterblaster.com) for about \$4.99.

—Stephanie Allmon,
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There’s no mess — and you can make as few pancakes as you’d like.