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Last summer, Nantucket's American Seasons came up with a sweet idea for the Great American Bake Sale, a campaign to end childhood hunger. The restaurant's pastry chef, Natasha Misanko, created confections called CupcACKes, a play on the island's famed airport moniker. The heavenly confections would disappear daily shortly after the bistro's doors opened. "The CupcACKes were usually gone by 11 a.m.," says Orla Murphy LaScola, the restaurant's co-owner. A portion of the \$5 per cupcake proceeds went to the Great American Bake Sale.

The scrumptious CupcACKes flavors include Nantucket Red, a rich red velvet cake stuffed with cranberry jam with cream cheese frosting; a Champagne-tini vanilla cake with lemon champagne curd; and our favorite, the ACK Pig Out—chocolate cake with caramel filling and honey frosting. For a special holiday treat, how about some Candy Cane, Chocolate Orange, or Snowflake CupcACKes? So good for you and others too. —S.D.

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