CARROT CAKE

comments

Throw all your carrot cake recipes away. This one beats all!

notes

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Cut to fit then insert waxed paper into 3 8-inch, oiled cake pans (prevents cake from sticking to pan).

		Ingredients
prepare in advance	Measure	3/4 cup raisins 1-1/2 cups shredded coconut (about 7 oz. 2 cups plus 1 T sifted cake flour 2 cups sugar (option: 1 white; 1 light brown) 1 cup plus 2 T salad oil 2 tsp. cinnamon 1-1/2 tsp. salt 1 T baking soda
	Crush in plastic bag	1 cup plus 2 T walnuts
	Drain well	1 cup plus 2 T crushed pineapple (1 lb. 4 oz. can)
	Grate	3 C carrots
	Beat	3 large eggs
	For Icing, measure	1-1/2 lb. confectioners' sugar 1 tsp. vanilla 4 T orange juice
	Soften	8 oz. cream cheese 3/4 C margarine or butter

Sift together the flour with the cinnamon, salt, and baking soda.

Combine eggs, sugar, and oil and vanilla.

Beat on high speed until creamy and thick, 3-5 minutes.

Slowly add one-third of the dry ingredients at a time, to egg mixture.

Beat well after each addition. Batter will be really stiff.

One at a time fold in carrots, coconut, pineapple, walnuts, then raisins.

Divide into the 3 pans.

Bake 35-45 minutes, re-arranging pans once. Cake done when tester comes out clean. Cool 5 minutes, then turn out onto rack to cool completely before icing.

Icing

Combine and beat until smooth the confectioners' sugar, the softened cream cheese the softened butter, and vanilla.

option: add orange juice.

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