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HOLIDAY CRANBERRY-BEET BUNDT CAKE WITH ORANGE-WALNUT GLAZE

SERVES: Makes 16 SERVINGS
PREP TIME: 50 MINUTES
BAKE TIME: 45 MINUTES

INGREDIENTS

- 1 jar (16 ounces) Aunt Nellie's Sliced Pickled Beets, drained
- 2-1/4 cups granulated sugar, divided
- 1-1/4 cups dried sweetened cranberries
- 2-1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1-1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 4 large eggs, at room temperature
- 1-1/2 sticks (12 tablespoons) unsalted butter, very soft
- 1/4 cup vegetable oil
- Finely grated zest of 1 orange
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1/2 cup buttermilk
- Orange-Walnut Glaze (recipe below)

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Butter and lightly flour fluted 10-inch Bundt pan, shaking out excess flour.
- 2. Place beets and 1 cup of sugar in food processor. Process until smooth puree, about 30 seconds, scraping down sides of bowl once. Reserve.
- 3. Place cranberries in small bowl; add enough hot water to cover. Set aside.
- 4. Sift flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt, cinnamon, and nutmeg into medium-size mixing bowl. Set aside.
- 5. Place remaining 1-1/4 cups sugar, eggs, butter and oil in large mixing bowl. Beat on medium-high speed of electric mixer 2 to 3 minutes, until light and smooth. Blend in beet puree. Add orange zest and vanilla; mix briefly, until blended. Add half of flour mixture; beat on low speed until smooth. Add buttermilk; beat on low speed until smooth, then add the remaining flour mixture, beating the batter until blended. Drain cranberries well; fold into batter.
- 6. Turn batter into prepared pan, spreading evenly. Bake on center oven rack approximately 45 to 50 minutes. When done, cake will have pulled away from sides of pan. A tester, inserted deep into center of cake, will come out clean.
- 7. Transfer pan to cooling rack. Cool 15 minutes, then invert cake onto the cooling rack. Cool briefly; glaze cake while still warm.

ORANGE-WALNUT GLAZE INGREDIENTS

- 2-1/2 cups confectioners' sugar, sifted
- Finely grated zest of 1 orange
- 1/4 cup orange juice, plus additional for thinning glaze
- 1-1/2 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted
- 1 cup finely chopped walnuts

INSTRUCTIONS

 In large mixing bowl, combine sugar and orange zest. Add orange juice; whisk until smooth. Whisk in butter. Add additional juice as necessary for consistency. Spoon glaze over cake. Sprinkle with walnuts.

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