



MINI BEET AND CARROT GIFT LOAVES

SERVES: Makes 4 LOAVES (6 servings per loaf) PREP TIME: 25 MINUTES COOK TIME: 35 MINUTES

INGREDIENTS

- 1 jar (16 ounces) Aunt Nellie's Sliced Pickled Beets, drained
- 1-3/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 3/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup packed light brown sugar
- 1/2 cup vegetable oil
- 2 eggs
- 3/4 cup shredded carrots
- 3/4 cup chopped walnuts or pecans

Topping:

- 1/4 cup chopped walnuts or pecans
- 1/4 cup packed light brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 2 tablespoons melted butter
- 1/2 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice

• Glaze (recipe follows)

NOTE: Not necessary to remove loaves from disposable foil pans to cool, if using. Glaze: Stir together 1/2 cup confectioners' sugar and 2 to 2-1/2 teaspoons milk in small bowl. Use spoon to drizzle over cooled loaves.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Chop beets into 1/4-inch pieces; set aside. Preheat oven to 325°F. Spray 4 mini loaf pans or disposable foil pans (about 5 x 3 inches) with nonstick cooking spray.
- Combine flour, pumpkin pie spice, baking powder, baking soda and salt in medium bowl; mix well and set aside. Combine brown sugar and oil in large bowl; mix well. Stir in eggs. Gradually add flour mixture; mix well. Stir in beets, carrots and walnuts just until combined. Spoon batter into prepared pans.
- 3. Combine topping ingredients in small bowl. Stir until crumbly. Divide evenly over batter in pans.
- 4. Bake 35 to 40 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool in pans 10 minutes. Remove from pans to wire rack; cool completely. (See Note). Prepare Glaze and drizzle over cooled loaves. Store at room temperature up to 3 days. Freeze, unglazed, up to 2 months. Thaw at room temperature and drizzle with Glaze before serving

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