

Time to Put This Recipe Creation Together: 30 minutes prep, 11/4 hour to bake

20 servings

Suggested kitchen tools: apple

peeler/corer, bundt pan (9.51 or 10 inch., also called a fluted or tube pan), knife, spatula, paper towels, baking sheet pan, mixer, mixing bowls, <u>sifter</u>, <u>food chopper</u>, measuring spoons, shortening or butter (for greasing the pan), small saucepan, <u>cake</u> <u>plate</u> or stand

The Ingredients

Cake Ingredients:

- 1¹/₂ cups avocado oil
- 1 ¹/₂ cups granulated sugar (I used a fine sugar cane sugar)
- ¹/₂ cup light brown sugar
- 3 large eggs
- 3 cups all-purpose flour, sifted
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 3½ cups peeled and chopped tart fresh apples (I used 3 large granny smith apples)
- 1 cup chopped walnuts
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- decorative cupcake liners

Glaze Ingredients:

- 3 tablespoons butter
- 3 tablespoons light brown sugar
- 3 tablespoons granulated sugar (I used a fine sugar cane sugar)
- 3 tablespoons heavy cream
- ¹/₄ teaspoon vanilla

Nani's Apple Cake Recipe

How to:

- 1. Peel and core the apples, then slice into small chunks. Set aside. (If they brown a little, it will not hurt the cake, or else you can sprinkle them with a touch of lemon juice to prevent browning).
- 2. Preheat your oven to 325 degrees (F).
- 3. To a large mixing bowl (I used a <u>KitchenAid stand mixer</u> for this), add the avocado oil, granulated sugar, and brown sugar. Blend well on a low speed until smooth.
- 4.Add the eggs to the mixture one at a time, blending on a low speed until fully combined. Set aside.
- 5. In a separate mixing bowl, sift together the flour baking soda, cinnamon, nutmeg and salt. Add this mixture to the egg mixture and blend on a low speed until fully combined.
- 6. Using a spatula, fold in the chopped apples, chopped walnuts and the vanilla.
- 7. Grease a bundt pan with a little butter or shortening and spoon the batter into it. Place the pan in the oven (I place mine on a baking sheet before placing it in the oven in case of spills, though the batter is very thick).
- 8. Bake for 1 ¹/₄ hours, or until the cake tester comes out clean.
- 9. Remove the cake from the oven and allow it to set for 20 minutes (timing is key here!).
- 10. While the cake is resting prepare the glaze: Combine the butter, brown sugar, granulated sugar, cream and vanilla in small saucepan. Allow it to melt all together on a medium-low heat setting, stirring occasionally. After it's melted, remove from the heat.
- 11.Invert the cake pan onto a cake plate at the 20-minute mark (in my testing, allowing it to fully cool before removing it from the pan may cause it to not all come out in one piece!)
- 12. Pour the glaze onto the warm cake and serve!

Tips and Tricks:

- I use a paper towel dipped in shortening to grease a cake pan. It helps keep your hands clean.
- Because this cake is very moist, I stored leftovers in the refrigerator, covered, so it would not mold. Because my husband and I were the ones doing the testing of this recipe, we were able to keep the cake tasting fresh for about a week when stored in the refrigerator!
- We used granny smith apples, but another tart apple would work
- A basic bundt pan works best for this apple filled cake. In one test I used a design style bundt pan and the apples prevented the design from being seen.
- I used avocado oil, but any mild flavored/high heat type of oil would work.
- You can omit the nuts without sacrificing too much flavor. The nuts merely add a nice texture.



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