

# THE CULINARY

*Playground*



## **Carrot Cake**

*Makes one 9" cake or 4 mini loaves*

1 1/2 cups flour  
1 cup sugar  
1 1/2 teaspoons baking soda  
1 1/2 teaspoons cinnamon  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
4 cup shredded coconut, optional  
9 oz. Jar of baby food-carrots  
2/3 cup oil  
2 eggs  
1/2 teaspoon vanilla  
8 oz. Crushed pineapple, drained  
1/2 cup chopped walnuts, optional

Preheat oven 350 degrees.

Spray a 9" square , 2 loaf pans or 4 mini loaf pans with non stick cooking spray.

In a bowl, whisk together flour, sugar, baking soda, cinnamon, salt and coconut if using.

In a separate bowl, stir together carrots, oil, eggs and vanilla to combine. Add wet ingredients into dry and stir just until combined. Fold in pineapple and walnuts if using.

Bake 40-45 minutes. Serve unfrosted or frost with a cream cheese frosting.

### **Cream Cheese Frosting**

8 oz. Cream cheese, at room temperature  
4 tablespoons butter  
2 cups confectioners sugar  
1 teaspoon vanilla

Combine cream cheese, butter, confectioners sugar and vanilla in a mixing bowl or a food processor.  
Beat well until smooth and spreadable.