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Spiced Pear Upside Down Cake



An impressive Autumn-spiced dessert that's made from pantry basics.

Serves 12

Prep time 10 min.

Cook time 55 min.

Ingredients

⅓ cup butter

 $\frac{2}{3}$ cup packed light brown sugar

11/2 tsps. cinnamon

½ tsp. nutmeg

1/8 tsp. ground cloves

2 can (15oz.each) Del Monte® Lite Sliced Pears

1 pkg. (15.25oz.) yellow cake mix

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½ cup vegetable oil

3 eggs

Directions

- 1. Preheat oven to 325°F. Melt butter in a deep 10-inch ovenproof skillet over medium heat; stir in brown sugar, cinnamon, nutmeg and cloves. Remove from heat.
- 2. Drain pears, reserving 1 cup of pear syrup. Arrange pear slices on the bottom of the skillet.
- 3. Combine cake mix, oil, eggs and reserved pear syrup (instead of water) in a large bowl and mix according to package directions. Carefully pour batter over pears. Bake 45 to 55 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean.
- 4. Place on cooling rack for 5 minutes. Loosen cake from pan edges and invert onto a large flat dinner plate or round platter.

NOTES:

-May use 1 can (15 oz.) Del Monte® Sliced Pears in 100% Juice or 1 can (15.25 oz.) Sliced Pears in Heavy Syrup instead of Lite Sliced Pears.

-May use a chocolate cake mix instead of yellow cake mix.