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Scotchmallow[®] & Bordeaux[™] Decadent Chocolate Cake



Makes 1 Cake (8-10 Servings)

Chocolate Cake Ingredients

- · 2 cups boiling water
- 1 cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- 2 3/4 cups all-purpose flour
- · 2 teaspoons baking soda
- ½ teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup butter, softened

Chocolate Ganache Ingredients

- · 8 oz See's Semi Sweet Chocolate Chips
- 1 cup heavy whipping cream

Chocolate Cake Instructions

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°. Grease three 4–6 in. round cake pans. Line with parchment.
- 2. In a medium bowl, pour boiling water over cocoa, and whisk until smooth. Let mixture cool. Sift together flour, baking soda, baking powder and salt; set aside.
- 3. In a large bowl, mix cream, butter and sugar together until light and fluffy. Beat in room temperature eggs one at time, then stir in vanilla.
- 4. Add the flour mixture alternately with the cocoa mixture into prepared pans. Spread batter evenly between them.
- 5. Bake in preheated oven for 18-24 minutes. Allow cake to cool in pans for 10 minutes.
- 6. Remove onto cooling rack until it reaches room temperature.

Chocolate Ganache Instructions

- 1. Bring heavy cream to a simmer on the stove top, stirring occasionally. Just as soon as you see a simmer, remove from heat and poor over chocolate chips, swirling the bowl to make sure all chips are covered.
- 2. Place lid on chocolate chips to trap the heat and let sit undisturbed (no mixing) for 5 minutes.

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- 3. Remove lid and swirl the chocolate chips with a whisk starting in the center and working outward until smooth.
- 4. Let ganache come to room temperature. The longer ganache sits, the thicker and more of a frosting it becomes.

Assembly

- 1. Assemble cooled cake with a thin layer of chocolate ganache between each layer and 2 chopped Dark Scotchmallows/Milk Bordeaux™ pieces (or as many as you'd like).
- 2. Apply a thin "naked" frosting coat over entire assembled cake. (Optional: Slightly heat the cooled ganache in 10-second intervals at half power in a microwave. A slightly warmed ganache makes for a smooth frosting finish.)
- 3. Use whole, halved and quartered candy pieces to embellish top of cake. Candies can be stacked on wooden bamboo skewers and placed into cake for added height and drama.
- 4. Enjoy!