

Date Nut Bread

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Ingredients

1-1/2 cups chopped dates
1-1/2 cups hot water
2 tablespoons butter, softened
2-1/4 cups all-purpose flour
1-1/2 cups sugar
3/4 cup coarsely chopped walnuts
1-1/2 teaspoons baking soda
1-1/2 teaspoons salt
2 eggs, lightly beaten
1-1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract

Directions

In a large bowl, combine the dates, water and butter; let stand for 5 minutes.

In a large bowl, combine the flour, sugar, walnuts, baking soda and salt.

In a small bowl, combine the eggs, vanilla and date mixture. Stir into dry ingredients just until moistened.

Pour into two greased 8-inch x 4-inch loaf pans.

Bake at 375°F for 45-50 minutes or until a tester comes out clean.

Cover loosely with foil if top browns too quickly. Cool for 10 minutes before removing from pans to wire racks.