## **Ever So Easy Fruitcake**

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## **Ingredients**

- 2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 2 eggs, slightly beaten
- 1 (27-ounce) jar NONE SUCH® Ready-to-Use Mincemeat (Regular or Brandy and Rum)
- 1 (14-ounce) can EAGLE BRAND® Sweetened Condensed Milk (NOT evaporated milk)
- 2 cups (1 pound) mixed candied fruit
- 1 cup coarsely chopped nuts

## **Directions**

Preheat oven to  $300^{\circ}\text{F}$ . Grease and flour 10-inch bundt pan. Combine flour and baking soda; set aside. In large bowl, combine remaining ingredients; blend in dry ingredients. Pour batter into prepared pan. Bake 1 hour and 45 to 50 minutes or until toothpick inserted comes out clean. Cool 15 minutes. Turn out of pan. Garnish as desired.

## Variations:

Fruitcake Bars: Grease a 15×10-inch jellyroll pan; spread batter evenly in pan. Bake 40 top 45 minutes. Cool. Glaze if desired. Makes about 4 dozen bars.

Fruitcake-in-a-Can: Grease three 1-pound coffee cans; fill each can with about 2 2/3 cups batter. Bake 1 hour and 20 to 25 minutes. Or grease eight 10 3/4-ounce soup cans; fill each with 1 cup batter. Bake 50 to 55 minutes.

Bundt Fruitcake: Generously grease and flour a 10-inch bundt pan; turn batter into pan. Bake 1 hour and 45 to 50 minutes.

Tip: To substitute condensed mincemeat for ready-to-use mincemeat, crumble 2 (9-ounce) packages NONE SUCH® Condensed Mincemeat into small saucepan; add 1 1/2 cups water. Boil briskly 1 minute. Cool. Proceed as recipe directs.