



A classic European torte baked in a springform pan. Cream cheese, sliced almonds, and apples make this the perfect holiday treat (12 servings).

INGREDIENTS

- ½ cup butter
- ⅓ cup white sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 (8 ounce) package cream cheese
- ¼ cup white sugar
- 1 egg
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon vanilla extract
- 6 apples peeled, cored, and sliced
- ⅓ cup white sugar
- ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 cup sliced almonds

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Preheat oven to 450°F (230°C).
- 2. Cream together butter, sugar, vanilla, and flour.
- 3. Press crust mixture into the flat bottom of a 9-inch springform pan. Set aside.

- 4. In a medium bowl, blend cream cheese and sugar. Beat in egg and vanilla. Pour cheese mixture over crust.
- 5. Toss apples with sugar and cinnamon. Spread apple mixture over all.
- Bake for 10 minutes. Reduce heat to 400°F (200°C) and continue baking for 25 minutes.
- 7. Sprinkle almonds over top of torte.

 Continue baking until lightly browned. Cool before removing from pan.

REVIEWS

- ★★★★ I loved the buttery taste of the crust which complements the apples very nicely.
- Reviewed on Sep. 22, 2014 by MMASON
- ★★ Nothing special. I like the crust, but there was a little too much of it for my taste, and I liked the filling but there was too little of it. I thought the crunchy apples combined with the sliced almonds detracted from the overall flavor.
- Reviewed on Sep. 1, 2014 by GLENDACHEF
- **** Delicious!! I recommend microwaving the apples for 3 minutes before baking, to soften them. Great dessert I'll be making it again for the holidays.
- Reviewed on Aug. 28, 2014 by BBABS