

Apricot-Orange Bread

1 package (6 oz) dried apricots, cut into

small pieces

2 C water

2 Tbsp margarine

1 C sugar

1 egg, slightly beaten

1 Tbsp orange peel, freshly grated

3¹/₂ C all-purpose flour, sifted

¹/₂ C fat free dry milk powder

2 tsp baking powder

1 tsp baking soda

1 tsp salt

¹/₂ C orange juice

¹/₂ C pecans, chopped

1. Preheat oven to 350 °F. Lightly oil two, 9- by 5-inch loaf pans.

This bread is low in all the right places—saturated fat, cholesterol, and sodium—without losing any taste and texture.

Yield: 2 loaves

Serving size: 1/2-inch slice Each serving provides:

Calories: 97 Total fat: 2 g

Saturated fat: less than 1 g

Cholesterol: 6 mg Sodium: 113 mg Total fiber: 1 g Protein: 2 g

Carbohydrates: 18 g Potassium: 110 mg

- 2. Cook apricots in water in covered medium-size saucepan for 10–15 minutes or until tender but not mushy. Drain and reserve ³/₄ cup liquid. Set apricots aside to cool.
- 3. Cream together margarine and sugar. By hand, beat in egg and orange peel.
- 4. Sift together flour, dry milk, baking powder, soda, and salt. Add to creamed mixture alternately with reserved apricot liquid and orange juice.
- 5. Stir apricot pieces and pecans into batter.
- 6. Turn batter into prepared pans.
- 7. Bake for 40–45 minutes or until bread springs back when lightly touched in center.
- 8. Cool for 5 minutes in pans. Remove from pans and completely cool on wire rack before slicing.

Banana-Nut Bread

1 C ripe bananas, mashed

¹/₃ C lowfat buttermilk

¹/₂ C brown sugar, packed

¹/₄ C margarine

1 egg

2 C all-purpose flour, sifted

1 tsp baking powder

¹/₂ tsp baking soda

1/2 tsp salt

¹/₂ C pecans, chopped

Bananas and lowfat buttermilk lower the fat for this old favorite, while keeping all the moistness.

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 °F. Lightly oil two, 9- by 5-inch loaf pans.
- 2. Stir together mashed bananas and buttermilk. Set aside.
- 3. Cream brown sugar and margarine together until light. Beat in egg. Add banana mixture and beat well.
- 4. Sift together flour, baking powder, baking soda, and salt. Add all at once to liquid ingredients. Stir until well blended.
- 5. Stir in nuts, and turn into prepared pans.
- 6. Bake for 50–55 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool for 5 minutes in pans.
- 7. Remove from pans and complete cooling on a wire rack before slicing.

Yield: 2 loaves

Serving size: 1/2-inch slice Each serving provides:

Calories: 133
Total fat: 5 g
Saturated fat: 1 g
Cholesterol: 12 mg
Sodium: 138 mg
Total fiber: 1 g
Protein: 2 g

Carbohydrates: 20 g Potassium: 114 mg

Carrot-Raisin Bread

1¹/₂ C all-purpose flour, sifted

¹/₂ C sugar

1 tsp baking powder

¹/₄ tsp baking soda

1/2 tsp salt

1¹/₂ tsp ground cinnamon

1/4 tsp ground allspice

1 egg, beaten

¹/₂ C water

2 Tbsp vegetable oil

¹/₂ tsp vanilla

1¹/₂ C carrots, finely shredded

¹/₄ C pecans, chopped

¹/₄ C golden raisins

You don't need lots of oil and eggs to make a rich-tasting bread—as this recipe shows.

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 °F. Lightly oil two, 9- by 5-inch loaf pans.
- 2. Stir together dry ingredients in large mixing bowl. Make well in center of dry mixture.
- In separate bowl, mix together remaining ingredients. Add mixture all at once to dry ingredients. Stir just enough to moisten and evenly distribute carrots.
- 4. Turn into prepared pan. Bake for 50 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean.
- 5. Cool for 5 minutes in pan. Remove from pan and complete cooling on wire rack before slicing.

Yield: 2 loaves

Serving size: 1/2-inch slice Each serving provides:

Calories: 99 Total fat: 3 g

Saturated fat: less than 1 g

Cholesterol: 12 mg Sodium: 97 mg Total fiber: 1 g Protein: 2 g

Carbohydrates: 17 g Potassium: 69 mg

Good-for-You Cornbread

1 C cornmeal

1 C flour

1/4 C white sugar1 tsp baking powder

1 C 1% fat buttermilk

egg, wholetub margarine

1 tsp vegetable oil (to grease baking pan)

1. Preheat oven to 350 °F.

- 2. Mix together cornmeal, flour, sugar, and baking powder.
- 3. In another bowl, combine buttermilk and egg. Beat lightly.
- 4. Slowly add buttermilk and egg mixture to dry ingredients.
- 5. Add margarine, and mix by hand or with mixer for 1 minute.

Bake for 20–25 minutes in an
 by 8-inch, greased baking dish.
 Cool. Cut into 10 squares.

This is not only good for you but also good in you—making it a healthy comfort food.

Yield: 10 servings Serving size: 1 square Each serving provides:

Calories: 178
Total fat: 6 g
Saturated fat: 1 g
Cholesterol: 22 mg
Sodium: 94 mg
Total fiber: 1 g
Protein: 4 g

Carbohydrates: 27 g Potassium: 132 mg



Homestyle Biscuits

2 C flour

2 tsp baking powder

¹/₄ tsp baking soda

1/4 tsp salt2 Tbsp sugar

²/₃ C 1% fat buttermilk

3¹/₃ Tbsp vegetable oil

Update your homestyle biscuits with this easy lowfat recipe.

- 1. Preheat oven to 450 °F.
- 2. In medium bowl, combine flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt, and sugar.
- 3. In small bowl, stir together buttermilk and all of the oil. Pour over flour mixture and stir until well mixed.
- 4. On lightly floured surface, knead dough gently for 10–12 strokes. Roll or pat dough to ³/₄-inch thickness. Cut with 2-inch biscuit or cookie cutter, dipping cutter in flour between cuts. Transfer biscuits to an ungreased baking sheet.
- 5. Bake for 12 minutes or until golden brown. Serve warm.

Yield: 15 servings Serving Size: 1, 2-inch

biscuit

Each serving provides:

Calories: 99 Total fat: 3 g

Saturated fat: less than 1 g Cholesterol: less than 1 mg

Sodium: 72 mg Total fiber: 1 g Protein: 2 g

Carbohydrates: 15 g Potassium: 102 mg