BANANA RECIPES

BANANA NUT CAKE WITH BUTTER ICING

(2 ½ cups) Ripe Banana (about 5) 
312 g (2 ½ cups) Baking Flour 
125 ml (1/2 cup) Orange Juice 
250 g (1 cup) Margarine 
(1 ¼ tsp) B. Powder 
(1/2 tsp) B. Soda 
312 g (1 ¼ cup) G. Sugar 
3 Eggs 
(2/3 cup) Peanuts (chopped) 
(1 tsp) Salt

Method:
1) Heat oven to 180 degrees C (350 degrees F).
2) Grease and flour two layer cake pans or one oblong pan.
3) Measure flour, and sift with flour, baking powder, soda and salt.
4) Add granulated sugar, margarine ½ of orange juice and mashed bananas.
5) Beat until smooth. Scrape sides and bottom of bowl constantly.
6) Add eggs and the rest of the juice. Continue beating vigorously about 2 mins. in an electric mixer.
7) Fold in chopped nuts and pour mixture into a prepared pan or pans.
8) Bake layers until an inserted toothpick or skewer comes out clean.
9) Cool. Decorate with butter icing and banana slices.

BUTTER ICING

125 g (1/2 cup) Margarine 
(3 cups) Icing Sugar 
(3 tbsp) Evaporated Milk 
(1 tsp) Vanilla

Method:
1) Blend margarine and sugar thoroughly.
2) Stir in Evaporated Milk and vanilla until smooth.
**BANANA-OATS CUPCAKE**

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**Method:**

1) Cream together the butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Mix in the molasses, honey, eggs and vanilla.
2) Combine the dry ingredients and mix into the sugar mixture in three parts alternately with the milk.
3) Stir in the crushed bananas gently.
4) Place the batter in greased muffin cups and bake at 180 degrees C (350 degrees F) for about 35 mins until brown.

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**BANANA-CARROT BREAD**

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**Method:**

1) Mix together, crushed banana and sugar.
2) Add beaten eggs, oil and vanilla, mixing well after each addition.
3) Sift together, flour, spices, baking soda and salt.
4) Gradually add the wet mixture to the dry ingredients. Pour into a greased and floured baking tin and bake at 180°C, (350 °F) until done.
BANANA CAKE

(1 1/2 Cups) Ripe Banana
(2 1/2 Cups) Baking Flour
(1 1/2 Cups) Sugar
(2) Eggs
(2/3 Cup) Milk or Orange Juice
(2 Tsp) Baking Powder
(1 Tsp) Baking Soda
(1 Tsp) Vanilla
(1/2 Tsp) Nutmeg
(1/2 Tsp) Salt
(1/2 Tsp) Lime Juice

Method:
1) Cream margarine and sugar until light and fluffy. Add eggs one at a time and beat well.
2) Sift together dry ingredients, baking flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt and nutmeg.
3) Add lime juice to mashed bananas.
4) Fold dry ingredients into fat and sugar and egg mixture, alternately with mashed bananas and Orange juice. Do not over mix.
5) Pour batter into greased and lined cake tin. Bake at 180 °C (350 °F) until done.

BANANA- PINEAPPLE BREAD

Use recipe for BANANA BREAD. To this, fold in 1/2 Cup Finely Chopped or Tinned Pineapple.

BANANA – NUT BREAD

Use recipe for BANANA BREAD. Add 1/4 Cup Chopped Peanut.

GREEN BANANA PUDDING

(4 Cups) Grated Green Banana (approx. 8)
500 g ( 2 cups) Brown Sugar
( 2 Tsp) Nutmeg
15 ml (3 Tsp) Vanilla
( 1/2 Cup) Raisins
( 1/2 Tsp) Salt
375 g (3 cups) Flour
1 liter (4 Cups) Coconut Milk
(2 Tsp) Cinnamon
60 g (2 oz) Margarine
Method:

1) Wash bananas, peel, grate and measure. Set aside. Use sugar to sweeten coconut milk.
2) Add flour to grated banana. Use sweetened milk to moisten.
3) Add all other ingredients and blend well.
4) Pour into a greased baking tin bake for about 40-45 mins. in a moderate oven until done.

**GREEN BANANA FRUIT CAKE**

375 g (3 cups) Banana Flour and
125 g (1 cup) Wheat flour or
(4 cups) Grated Banana and
250 g (2 cups) Wheat Flour
(2 Cups) Mixed Fruits 10 ml (2 Cups) Brown Sugar
(pre-soaked in wine) Eggs
4 (2 Tsp ) Vanilla
(1 1/2 lb) Butter or Margarine
(1 Tsp ) Lime Rind (Grated)
(2 Tsp ) Baking Powder
(2 Tsp ) Cinnamon
(2 Tsp ) Nutmeg
Food Browning

Method:

1) Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. If grated banana is used, fold in at this time.
2) Add slightly beaten eggs one at a time. Fold in thoroughly after each addition.
3) Add grated lime rind, vanilla and spices. Beat in Food Browning.
4) Combine both flours and baking powder. Add to butter-sugar mixture alternately soaked fruits.
5) Pour into a greased and floured or lined tin and bake at 180 ° C (350 ° F) until done.
BANANA FLOUR

35 ml Fingers Green Bananas
62 ml (¼ Cup ) Lime Juice

Method:

1) Peel bananas and slice thinly lengthwise
2) Place in cold water and lime juice for 2-3 min.
3) Drain and put to dry on thin sheets in direct sunlight.
4) When thoroughly dried, grind or pound with mortar and pestle. Sift. With leftover roughage, repeat the process.

Yield approx. 500 g (1 lb) Flour

GREEN BANANA DUCKUNOO

| (4 Cups) Grated Green Banana | 125 g | (1 Cup) Grated Coconut |
| (1 ½ Cups) Cornmeal | 500 ml | (2 Cups) Coconut Milk |
| 15 ml | (3 Tsp) Vanilla |
| 375 g | (1 ½ Cup) Brown Sugar |
| (1 Cup) Raisins | 30 ml | (2 Tsp) Mixed Spice |
| | | (2 Tsp) Melted Margarine |

Method:

1) Combine grated green bananas, cornmeal, grated coconut, salt, mixed spice, margarine and raisins.
2) Sweeten coconut milk with sugar, add vanilla. Pour into banana mixture and blend well.
3) Prepare banana leaf by cutting out centre stalk and holding leaf over boiling water or before a flame to make it pliable.
4) Tear leaf in large enough pieces, place 125 ml (¼ Cup) mixture in leaf and fold up to make a parcel. Tie with banana bark
5) Place parcels in enough boiling water to cover and boil for 30-45 mins.
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**Method:**

1) Cream butter and sugar together, add egg.
2) Add spice and vanilla. Add flour and baking powder gradually and mix. Fold in grated banana.
3) Pipe onto baking sheets, decorate with cherries or home-made dried fruits.
4) Bake at 180 °C (350 °F) until done.

**BANANA BUN**

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**Method:**

1) Combine stout, sugar, margarine, honey, beaten egg and molasses. Sift flour, baking powder and add spice.
2) Add to first mixture.
3) Add Fruits and mix well.
4) Bake in a 9’’ × 5 × 3’’ loaf pan at 350°F for approximate 45 minutes.
**GREEN BANANA SALAD**

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**Method:**

1) Put water to boil and add salt and lime juice.
2) Peel green bananas and cut each banana into eight pieces. Boil for about 15 mins then drain and allow to cool.
3) Drain and slice sausages, drain the cans of vegetables and chop peppers and onions and set aside.
4) Combine chopped onion, vinegar, oil and sugar.
5) Place bananas in a large bowl and add the sausages, the drained vegetables and the sweet peppers. Pour on the vinegar and toss gently.
6) Serve on a bed of lettuce.

**RIPE BANANA FRITTERS**

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**Method:**

1) Put mashed banana into a mixing bowl. Add beaten egg, sugar, salt, nutmeg, and flour, blend to a dropping consistency
2) Put enough cooking oil in pan for shallow fat frying, allowing to heat.
3) Drop batter by tablespoonful into hot fat. Fry on medium heat until bubbles appear. Turn and continue frying until done

**N.B** the quantity of the flour used depended on the size of the egg, and the ripeness of the bananas.
**CHEEZY BANANAS**

2 Doz. Green Bananas
500 g (1 lb) Cheddar Cheese (Grated)
250 ml (1 Cup) Milk

1 Onion (finely Chopped)
1 Medium Carrot (Diced)
60 g (2 ozs) Margarine

**Method:**

1) Boiled peeled bananas in water until soft. Remove from water, drain and mash. Add ½ of milk. Mix well.
2) Lightly grease pie dish or baking dish. Sauté carrots in margarine
3) Beat eggs, add to the carrot, remaining milk and grated cheese
4) Place layers of mashed banana and cheese mixture, alternately in dish, starting with bananas.
5) Bake in a moderate oven for 15-20 mins.

**BANANA SHEPHERD’S PIE**

1 Doz Green Bananas
500 g (1 lb) Mince
125 g (1 lb) Butter
90 ml (3 Tbsp) Cooking Oil
125 g (1/4 lb) Cheese (Shredded)

125 g (1 Cup) Breadcrumbs
2 Onion
2 Cloves Garlic
1 Green Sweet Pepper

**Method:**

1) Brown the mince in the oil, add chopped onions, garlic, and sweet peppers
2) Crush green bananas while still hot and add milk and butter. Mix well.
3) In a greased baking pan, place alternate layers of banana mixture and mince, ending with banana.
4) Combine breadcrumbs and shredded cheese. Sprinkle on top of prepared dish.
5) Bake in a moderate oven for 10-15 mins until slightly browned and cheese melted.

**BANANA-PEANUT SHAKE**

2-3 Ripe Bananas
500 ml (2 Cups) Milk
(1/2 Cups) Raw Peanuts
(1/4 Tsp.) Angostura Bitters

Sugar to taste

**Method:**

1) Blend together bananas, milk, peanuts and bitters.
2) Add sugar to taste.
3) Serve over cracked ice.
RIPE BANANA JAM

12 Ripe Bananas (Chopped)
750 g (3 Cups) Sugar
250 ml (1 Cup) Water
Juice of two limes

Method:

1) Place the bananas to boil with the water. When half-cooked, remove from heat and cool slightly.
2) Measure, and for every 500ml (2 Cups/1pt.), add 500g (1lb.) Sugar, and 2 Tbsp. Lime Juice.
3) Put back on heat, and allow to boil until setting point is reached
4) Pour into warm sterilized bottles. Cover immediately.

RIPE BANANA CHUTNEY

6 Fingers Ripe Bananas (Chopped) (2 Tsp) Grated Ginger
250 g (1/4 lb) Onion (1/2 Cup) Cho-Cho
(1/2 Cup) Raisins (1/2 Cup) Carrot (Diced)
250 g (1 Cup) Sugar 750 ml (3 Cups) Vinegar
Hot Pepper (chopped)

Method:

1) Put the ripe bananas to boil in a small amount of water, just enough to cover. Simmer. Add sugar and allow to simmer.
2) Add all the other ingredients and simmer until thick, stirring to prevent it sticking to the bottom.
3) Pour into hot, sterilized bottles.

BANANA WINE

24 Fingers Ripe Bananas (with skin)
250 g (1 Cup) Rice
6 l (24 Cups) Warm Water
1 kg (8 Cups) Sugar

Method:

1) Slice the bananas, keeping the skins on. Add sugar and warm water and stir until sugar is dissolved.
2) Cool the mixture, pour into dark bottles and cover.
3) Leave for a month, then strain through a thin piece of cloth, into clean bottles. Leave to mature for another 4 weeks.