## The Arthur Family Spiced Cherry Buckle



## Ingredients:

## Filling

2 cups ( 500 mL ) pitted and halved fresh or frozen sweet cherries
$1 / 3$ cup ( 75 mL ) granulated sugar $2 \mathrm{tbsp}(30 \mathrm{~mL})$ lemon juice
1 tbsp ( 15 mL ) corn starch $1 / 2 \mathrm{tsp}(2 \mathrm{~mL})$ almond extract

## Loaf

$21 / 2$ cups ( 625 mL ) all-purpose flour 2 tsp ( 10 mL ) baking powder

## Directions:

Filling: In a small saucepan, combine cherries, sugar, lemon juice and corn starch; bring to a simmer over medium heat, stirring frequently until thickened, about 3 to 8 minutes. Stir in almond extract; transfer to a shallow bowl to cool.
Preheat oven to $325^{\circ} \mathrm{F}\left(160^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$. Line a $9-\times 5$-inch ( $23 \times 13 \mathrm{~cm}$ ) loaf pan with parchment paper, leaving 1 -inch (2.5 cm ) extending over edges for handles. Set aside.

Loaf: In a medium bowl, whisk flour, baking powder, 1 single spice mix, baking soda and salt. In a large bowl, whisk eggs, sugar, oil and yogurt until smooth. Add dry ingredients and whisk until just combined.

1 single spice mix
$1 / 2$ tsp ( 2 mL ) baking soda $1 / 2 \mathrm{tsp}(2 \mathrm{~mL})$ salt
3 eggs
$11 / 4$ cup ( 300 mL ) granulated sugar
$2 / 3$ cup ( 150 mL ) vegetable oil
$1 / 3$ cup ( 75 mL ) plain yogurt
2 tbsp ( 30 mL ) sliced almonds

## Glaze

$1 / 3$ cup ( 75 mL ) icing sugar
2 tsp ( 10 mL ) milk

Pour half of the batter into the prepared pan. Spoon half of the cherry filling evenly over batter. Layer with remaining batter and cherry filling; sprinkle with sliced almonds. Bake for 55 to 60 minutes until a toothpick inserted into centre of loaf comes out clean.

Let cool for 10 minutes and remove the loaf to a cooling rack to cool completely.
Glaze: In a small bowl, whisk together icing sugar and milk. Drizzle glaze over cooled loaf and let set before slicing.

## Single Spice Mix:

| $1 \mathrm{tsp}(5 \mathrm{~mL})$ | ground cinnamon |
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| $1 \mathrm{tsp}(5 \mathrm{~mL})$ | ground ginger |
| $1 / 4 \mathrm{tsp}(1 \mathrm{~mL})$ | ground cardamom |
| $1 / 4 \mathrm{tsp}(1 \mathrm{~mL})$ | ground cloves |

Combine spices in a small bowl, stir until blended.

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