

# Carmen's Pumpkin Truffle Cake with Brown Butter Icing

## **INGREDIENTS**

#### Cake

2/3 cup (from 14-oz can) sweetened condensed milk (not evaporated)

1 cup semisweet chocolate chips (6 oz)

3 cups organic all-purpose flour

2 teaspoons baking powder

1 teaspoon baking soda

4 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice

1/4 teaspoon salt

1 1/2 cups organic butter, softened

1 cup granulated sugar

1/2 cup packed brown sugar

6 organic eggs

1 cup canned pumpkin or roasted organic pumpkin (do not use pumpkin pie mix)

#### Icing

1/4 cup organic butter (do not use margarine)

1 cup powdered sugar

1 teaspoon vanilla

1 to 2 tablespoons organic milk

### **DIRECTIONS**

- 1. Heat oven to 350°F. Grease 12-cup fluted tube cake pan with shortening; lightly flour (or spray with baking spray with flour). In 1-quart saucepan, heat condensed milk and chocolate chips over medium-low heat, stirring occasionally, until chocolate is melted. Remove from heat; set aside.
- 2. In medium bowl, mix flour, baking powder, baking soda, pumpkin pie spice and salt until blended; set aside.

- 3. In large bowl, beat 1 1/2 cups butter, the granulated sugar and brown sugar with electric mixer on medium speed about 2 minutes or until well blended. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. On low speed, beat in flour mixture in 3 additions alternately with pumpkin until well blended (batter will be thick).
- 4. Spoon 2/3 of batter (about 5 cups) into pan, bringing batter up about 1 inch on tube and on outside edge of pan. Stir chocolate mixture; spoon into center of batter, being careful not to touch sides of pan. Spoon remaining cake batter (about 2 cups) over filling; smooth top.
- 5. Bake 55 to 65 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center of cake comes out clean and center of crack is dry to touch. Cool cake in pan 15 minutes. Remove from pan to cooling rack. Cool completely, about 1 hour.
- 6. Place cooled cake on serving plate. In 1-quart saucepan, heat 1/4 cup butter over medium heat, stirring occasionally, until golden brown. Pour browned butter into medium bowl; stir in powdered sugar, vanilla and milk, 1 tablespoon at a time, until spreadable (mixture will thicken as it cools). Let stand 1 to 2 minutes or until slightly cool; stir. Drizzle over cake.