Blueberry-Cheesecake Ice Cream

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Yield: 1 Quart

1 package (8 ounce) cream cheese, softened to room temperature
1/4 teaspoon almond extract
1 1/2 cups half and half
3/4 cup sugar
1/2 cup whole buttermilk
1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla hean paste
(vanilla rxtract may be substituted)
1/8 teaspoon salt
1 cup fresh blueberries
3 tablespoons blueberry preserves
2 teaspoons lemon zest

Preparation Time: 15 minutes

Process the cream cheese, almond extract, halfand-half, sugar, buttermilk, vanilla and salt in a blender for 30 seconds or until very smooth. Cover and chill for at least two hours or up to two days.

Pour the mixture into the freezer container of a 1-1/2-quart electric ice cream maker. Freeze according to the manufacturer's specifications. (Instructions and times may vary.)

In a bowl, mash together the blueberries, blueberry preserves and lemon zest. Stir the mixture into the prepared ice cream. This ice cream can also be made into ice cream sandwiches by placing between two Snickerdoodles cookies. Freeze for one hour before serving

Serve when ready, or transfer to an airtight container. Freeze for up to one week.

Start to Finish Time: 3 hours

The secret to this dream treat? Soft baked cookies from your bakery. Go large or small - just don't go with the crunchy kind. Wrap the finished treats individually (and tightly) in plastic wrap, and keep on hand in the freezer for parties or snacks.

Per Serving (excluding unknown items): 1949 Calories; 123g Fat (55.5% calories from fat); 29g Protein; 193g Carbohydrate; 4g Dietary Fiber; 388mg Cholesterol; 1100mg Sodium. Exchanges: 2 1/2 Lean Meat; 1 1/2 Fruit; 1 1/2 Non-Fat Milk; 23 1/2 Fat; 10 Other Carbohydrates.

Desserts

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% Calories from Fat: % Calories from Carbohydrates: % Calories from Protein: Total Fat (g): Saturated Fat (g): Monounsaturated Fat (g): Polyunsaturated Fat (g):	55.5% 38.6% 5.9% 123g 77g 35g 5g 388mg	Vitamin B12 (mcg): Thiamin B1 (mg): Riboflavin B2 (mg): Folacin (mcg): Niacin (mg): Caffeine (mg): Alcohol (kcal):	2.2mcg .2mg 1.1mg 49mcg 1mg 0mg 2
Cholesterol (mg): Carbohydrate (g): Dietary Fiber (g): Protein (g): Sodium (mg): Potassium (mg): Calcium (mg): Iron (mg): Zinc (mg): Vitamin C (mg): Vitamin A (i.u.):	193g 4g 29g 1100mg 886mg 583mg 3mg 3mg 27mg 5033IU	Food Exchanges Grain (Starch): Lean Meat: Vegetable: Fruit: Non-Fat Milk: Fat: Other Carbohydrates:	0 2 1/2 0 1 1/2 1 1/2 23 1/2 10

Nutrition Facts

Amount Per Serving			
Calories 1949	Calories from Fat: 1082		
	% Daily Values*		
Total Fat 123g	190%		
Saturated Fat 77g	385%		
Cholesterol 388mg	129%		
Sodium 1100mg	46%		
Total Carbohydrates 193g	64%		
Dietary Fiber 4g	17%		
Protein 29g			
Vitamin A	101%		
Vitamin C	45%		
Calcium	58%		
Iron	19%_		

^{*} Percent Daily Values are based on a 2000 calorie diet.