## Recipe Card: Skinny Pineapple Bars

#### **Crust:**

3/4 cup graham cracker crumbs Brand Name: Nabisco Honey Maid

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$4.69

2 tbsp. unsalted butter, melted Brand Name: Challenge Butter

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$5.19

## **Preparation:**

1. Prepare 9"x 9" baking pan with aluminum foil or parchment

2. Mix graham cracker crumbs and butter in a medium bowl until combined

3. Evenly press mixture into prepared baking pan

4. Bake for 8 minutes and then put to the side for later!

## Filling:

6 oz. cream cheese

Brand Name: Philadelphia

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$2.49

3/4 cup Greek yogurt Brand Name: Chobani

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$3.99

2 large eggs, plus 1 large egg yolk

Brand Name: Kroger

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$2.99

1/4 cup sugar

Brand Name: Smidge and Spoon

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$1.97

¼ cup pineapple juice Brand Name: Dole

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$3.49

1 tsp. vanilla extract Brand Name: Kroger

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$6.99

Pineapple chunks (for garnish) Brand Name: Garden Highway

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$6.29

### **Preparation:**

- 1. Beat cream cheese until completely smooth (about 1 minute)
- 2. Beat in cream cheese with yogurt until completely combined
- 3. Then, beat in eggs and egg yolk until combined
- 4. Poor filling into crust from earlier and bake for 30 minutes
- 5. When done, cool bars for 30 minutes, then refrigerate until firm (4 hours or overnight)
- 6. Once chilled, lift foil out of the pan and cut into squares
- 7. Finally, garnish with pineapples and enjoy! (store them in the fridge if needed)

# Recipe Card: Vanilla Cake

### Wet Ingredients:

1 % cup dairy-free milk Brand Name: Blue Diamond

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$3.29

1 ½ tsp. lemon, juiced Brand Name: Ralphs

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$0.69

½ cup unsweetened applesauce

Brand Name: Kroger

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$1.99

1 tsp. Vanilla extract Brand Name: Kroger

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$6.99

### **Dry Ingredients:**

3 ¼ cups almond flour Brand Name: Simple Truth

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$7.49

1 cup of flour

Brand Name: Kroger

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$2.19

¼ cup Cornstarch Brand Name: Kroger

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$1.29

1 ½ cup Cane sugar Brand Name: C&H

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$3.19

1 ½ tsp. Baking powder Brand Name: Kroger

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$1.49

1 1/2 tsp. Baking Soda

Brand Name: Arm & Hammer

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$0.99

½ tsp. Salt

**Brand Name: Morton** 

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$0.89

### **Buttercream Frosting**

2 Sticks Vegan Butter Brand Name: Earth Balance

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$4.99

1/2 tsp. Vanilla extract Brand Name: Kroger

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$6.99

3 1/2-4 cup Powdered sugar

Brand Name: C&H

Nearby Location: Ralphs (915 S Brookhurst St, Anaheim, CA 92804)

Cost: \$2.62

#### **Preparation:**

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F and lightly grease two standard 8-inch round cake pans, one 9x13-inch, or three 6-inch round pans for this you can use vegan butter or coconut oil then dust with gluten-free flour. Shake out excess and set aside.
- 2. In a liquid measuring cup, measure out dairy-free milk and add in your vinegar. Let set for a few minutes. Then add applesauce and vanilla. Whisk to combine.
- 3. Add dry ingredients to a large mixing bowl and whisk to combine. Then add wet ingredients to dry ingredients and mix until <u>well</u> incorporated and <u>no</u> large lumps remain. The batter should be thick but pourable. Add more almond flour if too wet or dairy-free milk if too thick.
- 4. Divide batter evenly between prepared cake pans and bake on the center rack for 35-40 minutes or until toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean and the edges and surface appear golden brown, and to your liking.

- 5. Let cool for 15 minutes in the cake pans. To remove from pans, run a dull knife around the edge of the pan to loosen the cakes. Then place a plate or cooling rack on top and quickly invert. Let cool completely (preferably overnight or at least 6 hours on a wire rack) before frosting.
- 6. Frost with coconut whipped cream and berries of your choosing
- 7. Store cake covered at room temperature for 2-3 days or in the refrigerator for 3-4 days. Freeze up to 1 month.
- 8. FROSTING: Add softened butter to a large mixing bowl and beat for 1 minute. Then add vanilla and mix once more. Gradually add sifted powdered sugar 1 cup at a time and beat until a thick, spreadable frosting is formed. I found about 3 1/2 cups to be the appropriate amount per 1 full cake recipe.
- 9. If too thick, the frosting will be too hard to spread (add 1/2 tsp almond milk at a time if too thick). If too thin, the frosting will slide off the cake. If too thin, continue adding powdered sugar until you get the right texture.
- 10. Use immediately or cover and store in the refrigerator up to 5 days. Let come to room temperature before frosting.