



## Instructions for Baking & Decorating 3-D Cruiser Cakes

Hit the open road with a car that shows your style! What a fun way to celebrate a new driver in the family, welcome travelers home or create the car of your dreams. Bake exciting 3-dimensional cakes, ready to customize for all occasions.

We recommend hand washing pan in hot, soapy water.

**PLEASE READ THROUGH INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE YOU BEGIN. IN ADDITION,** to decorate cake you will need:

- Wilton Decorating Bags and Couplers or parchment paper triangles
- Tips 3, 16, 21 (alternate designs use 2, 6, 8, 12, 18)
- Wilton Icing Colors in Royal Blue, Lemon Yellow, Black (alternate designs use Rose, Red-Red, Kelly Green)
- Cake Board, Fancy-Foil Wrap or serving tray
- 6 1/2 cups of pound cake or pudding added batter (one pound cake mix yields 4 cups batter, one 2-layer cake mix yields 4 1/2 to 5 1/2 cups batter)
- Buttercream Icing (recipe included)
- Cornstarch



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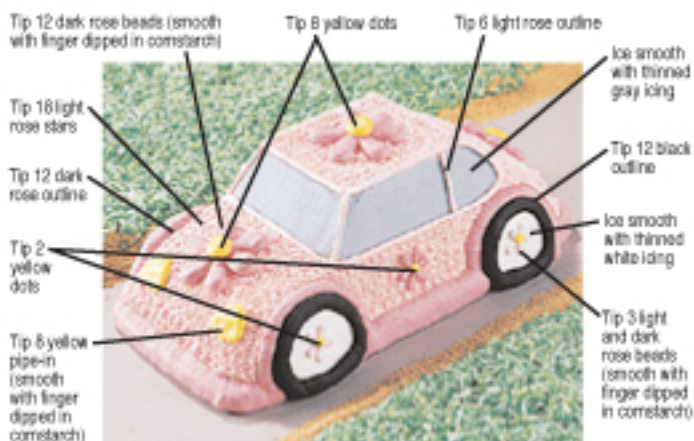
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### To Decorate Retro Ride Cake

You will need tips 2, 3, 6, 8, 12, 18, Wilton Icing Colors in Rose, Black, Lemon Yellow, cornstarch.

Make 3 1/4 cups buttercream icing:

- Tint 1 1/4 cups light rose
- Tint 1 cup dark rose
- Tint 1/4 cup black
- Tint 1/4 cup yellow
- Tint 1/4 cup gray (use small amount of black (thin with 3/4 tsp. of light corn syrup))
- Reserve 1/4 cup white (thin with 3/4 tsp. of light corn syrup)



### Decorating With Wilton Icings

**Wilton Frosting Mix:** You will need 2-3 packages of Creamy White Icing Mix. To prepare, follow package directions. Each package makes about 2 cups icing. Excellent for tinting any shade required. If you're using another type of frosting mix, you will need three 15.4 oz. packages of the creamy vanilla type that will frost two 8 in. or 9 in. layers. For each package of frosting mix, use four less teaspoons water than package directs. Each package makes about 1 1/4 cups icing. Do not refrigerate icing before decorating. Cake may be refrigerated after it is iced.

**Wilton Ready-to-Use Decorator Icing:** You will need approximately 2-3 cans of our delicious white icing. Each 16.5 oz. can holds about 2 cups. It's ideal for all of your decorating needs – frosting, decorating and flower making.

### To Decorate 3-D Cruiser Cake

You will need tips 3, 16, 21; Wilton Icing Colors in Royal Blue, Lemon Yellow, Black. We suggest that you tint all icings at one time while cake cools. Refrigerate icing in covered containers until ready to use.

Make 3 1/2 cups buttercream icing:

- Tint 1 1/4 cups blue
- Tint 1 1/4 cups black (thin 1/4 cup with 3/4 tsp. of light corn syrup)
- Tint 3/4 cup grey (use small amount of black) (thin 1/4 cup with 3/4 tsp. of light corn syrup)
- Tint 1/4 cup yellow (thin with 3/4 tsp. of light corn syrup)

#### WITH BLACK ICING

- Use spatula, thinned icing and "To Ice Smooth" directions to ice windows
- Use tip 21 and "To Make Swirls" directions to pipe tires

#### WITH GRAY ICING

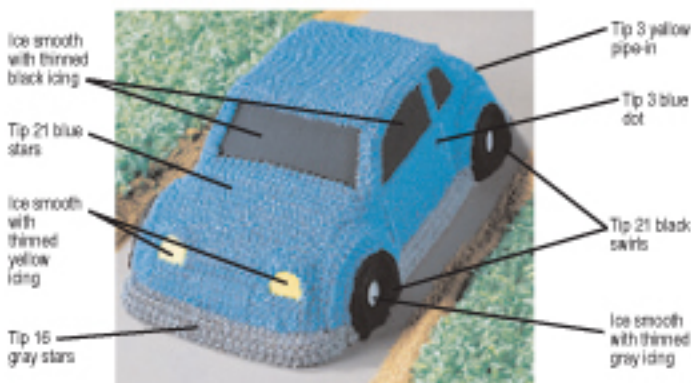
- Use spatula, thinned icing and "To Ice Smooth" directions to ice hubcaps
- Use tip 16 and "To Make Stars" directions to cover bumpers

#### WITH YELLOW ICING

- Use spatula, thinned icing and "To Ice Smooth" directions to ice headlights
- Use tip 3 and "To Pipe-in" directions to pipe in taillights (smooth with finger dipped in cornstarch)

#### WITH BLUE ICING

- Use tip 21 and "To Make Stars" directions to cover car
- Use tip 3 and "To Make Dots" directions to pipe door handle



### Baking Instructions

Preheat oven to 350°F for temperature per recipe directions. Your cake will unmold easily, without sticking, when you prepare the pan properly. Grease the inside of pan using a pastry brush and solid vegetable shortening (do not use butter, margarine or liquid vegetable oil). Spread the shortening so that all indentations are covered. Sprinkle about 2 Tablespoons flour inside pan and shake so that flour covers all greased surfaces. Turn pan upside down and tap lightly to remove excess flour. If any shiny spots remain, touch up with more shortening and flour to prevent cake from sticking. (You can use vegetable oil pan spray or vegetable oil pan spray with flour, in place of solid shortening and flour or use [Wilton Cake Release](#), for perfect, crumb-free cakes!)

You will need 6 1/2 cups of pound cake or pudding added cake mix batter (one pound cake mix yields 4 cups batter, one 2-layer cake mix yields 4 1/2 to 5 1/2 cups batter) or ingredients to make favorite layer cake. Pour the cake batter into pan, and if necessary, spread the batter around with a spatula to fill all areas of the pan evenly. Be careful not to touch sides or bottom of pan. Bake cake on middle rack of 350°F oven for 50-60 minutes or until cake tests done according to recipe directions.

Remove cake from oven and cool on cake rack for 10 minutes. While the cake is still in the pan, carefully slice off the raised center portion of the cake. This allows the cake to sit more level and helps prevent cracking. To remove cake from pan, place cooling rack against cake and turn both cake rack and pan over. Lift pan off carefully. Cool cake at least one hour. Brush loose crumbs off cake.

To transfer cake to serving board, hold a cake board against cake and turn both cake and rack over. Lift off rack. Hold another board against bottom of cake and turn cake over. Be sure to hold cake, rack and board close together while turning to prevent cake from cracking.

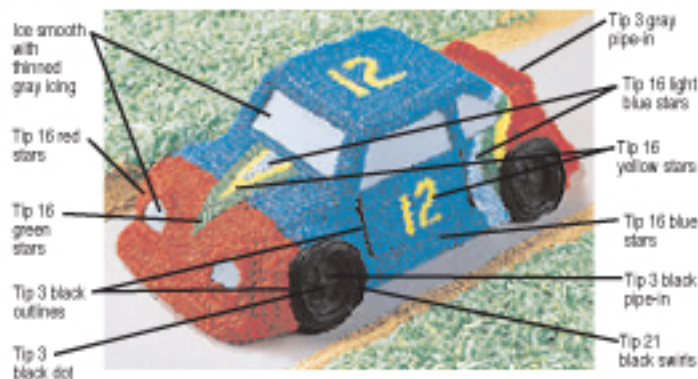


## To Decorate Funny Car Cake

You will need tips 3, 16, 21; Wilton Icing Colors in Royal Blue, Red-Red, Kelly Green, Lemon Yellow, Black.

Make 4 cups buttercream icing:

- Tint  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup gray (use small amount of black (thin with  $\frac{3}{4}$  tsp. of light corn syrup))
- Tint  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup green
- Tint  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup yellow
- Tint  $1\frac{1}{4}$  cups blue
- Tint  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup red
- Tint  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup light blue



Ice smooth with thinned gray icing

Tip 16 red stars

Tip 16 green stars

Tip 3 black outlines

Tip 3 black dot

Tip 3 gray pipe-in

Tip 16 light blue stars

Tip 16 yellow stars

Tip 16 blue stars

Tip 3 black pipe-in

Tip 21 black swirls

## For more Decorating Techniques & Tips

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Learn To Decorate - Basic Decorating Lessons.

### Using Your Decorating Bag and Coupler

You can make many different designs with just one decorating bagful of icing by using the Wilton Featherweight or Disposable Decorating bags and coupler and changing decorating tips.

Just follow these steps:

1. Screw ring off coupler to expose series of tiny threads  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. above coupler base.
2. Force coupler base as far down into decorating bag as it will go. Then mark where bottom thread of coupler shows through bag; remove coupler and trim bag at pencil mark with a pair of scissors.
3. Reposition coupler in bag and push end through opening to expose bottom two threads.
4. Position decorating tip over coupler and screw ring in place to secure. To change tips, unscrew ring, replace tip and replace ring.
5. To fill, cuff open end of bag over your hand and insert icing with a spatula. Fill bag no more than half full.
6. To close, unfold cuff and twist top of bag shut. Hold twist between your thumb and forefinger. Note: You can eliminate any air bubbles that may have formed by squeezing bag gently over icing bowl until air is released. Important: Be sure to wash the Featherweight bag in hot soapy water, then rinse and dry after every use. A degreaser can make clean-up easier.



### Using Parchment Bags

Parchment bags made from parchment paper triangles give you more versatility and the convenience of one-time use. Follow package directions. To "pipe-in" using a cut parchment bag, cut the point of the bag to desired opening.

### Making Buttercream Icing

The thick, but creamy texture of this flavorful icing makes it ideal for decorating\*. For best results, keep icing bowl in refrigerator when not in use. It can be refrigerated in an airtight container for up to 2 weeks. Rewhip before using. YIELD: 3 CUPS.

- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup solid vegetable shortening 2 tablespoons milk
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup butter or margarine 1 tsp. Wilton Clear Vanilla Extract
- 4 cups (1 lb.) sifted confectioners' sugar

Cream butter and shortening with electric mixer. Add vanilla. Gradually add sugar, one cup at a time, beating well on medium speed. Scrape sides and bottom of bowl often. When all sugar has been mixed in, icing will appear dry. Add milk and beat at medium speed until light and fluffy.

\*To thin for icing cake, add a small amount of light corn syrup.

## Coloring Your Icing

Wilton Icing Colors are best for decorating because they are concentrated and give the deepest, most vivid icing colors. Use a toothpick to swirl icing color into icing, then mix well. Add color gradually until you get the icing color you desire.

### Icing Smooth With A Spatula

With a spatula, place icing on cake. Spread icing over area to be covered. For a smooth effect, run spatula lightly over the icing in the same direction, blending it in for an even look. For a fluffy effect, swirl icing into peaks using the edge of the spatula.



### Let's Practice Decorating

Use decorating bag and coupler as directed in this booklet. Practice each of the following techniques on the back of a cookie sheet with white icing. The practice decorations can be scraped off the cookie sheet back into the mixing bowl and rewhipped for use again. To hold bag while decorating, curl fingers around bag with the end twist locked between your thumb and index finger. This forces the icing down into the tip each time you squeeze. Apply an even pressure with all four fingers and icing will come out of the tip until you stop squeezing. As you decorate, periodically twist the bag down further, forcing the icing down into the tip. Use fingers of other hand to guide as you decorate.



For more about decorating, refer to the Wilton Yearbook of Cake Decorating.

### To Make Outlines

Use tip 3, 6 or 12. Hold bag at a 45° angle and touch tip to surface. Squeeze at starting point so that icing sticks to surface. Now raise the tip slightly and continue to squeeze. The icing will flow out of the tip while you direct it along surface. To end an outline, touch tip back to surface, stop squeezing and pull away. If icing ripples, you are squeezing bag too hard. If icing outline breaks, you are moving bag too quickly or icing is too thick.



### To Outline & Pipe-In

After outlining, using the same tip, squeeze out rows of lines to fill area. Pat icing down with fingertip dipped in cornstarch or smooth with dampened art brush.



### To Make Stars

Use tip 16, 18 or 21. Hold bag straight up and down (see illustration) with tip  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. above surface. Squeeze until a star is formed, then stop pressure and pull tip away. Your stars will be neatly formed only if you stop squeezing before you pull the tip away.



### To Make Dots and Balls

Use tips 2, 3 or 8. Hold bag at 90° angle with tip almost touching surface. Steadily squeeze out a dot of icing, lifting the bag slightly and keeping tip in icing as it builds up into a small mound. Then stop pressure and pull tip away. Vary size of dots by lengthening the amount of time you apply pressure to the bag.

To make large dots or balls, lift tip as you squeeze to allow greater icing buildup.



### To Make Beads

Use tip 3 or 12. Hold bag at 90° angle to surface, with end of bag pointing towards you. Lightly touch tip to surface and squeeze until icing builds up and fans out into a base. Then lift tip slightly and relax pressure as you pull tip down and towards you to make a tail. Stop pressure completely and pull tip away for a finished bead. Practice this procedure until you can produce a clean bead shape. To make a row of beads, rest head of one on tail of preceding bead. For larger beads, increase pressure, for smaller beads, decrease pressure.



### To Make Swirls

Use tip 21. Starting at the outer edge of area, hold decorating bag straight up with tip  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. above surface. Squeeze bag and move tip in a clockwise direction following a circular motion until center is reached, holding tip in place momentarily. Stop pressure and pull tip away.

