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### **INGREDIENTS**

11/2 cups all-purpose flour 1¾ teaspoons baking powder

1/4 teaspoon salt

½ cup milk

2 eggs

½ cup butter, softened

2 tablespoons melted butter to grease the mold

1 cup sugar

2 teaspoons vanilla extract

## **TOOLS**

Measuring cups and spoons 1 Medium mixing bowl

1 Large mixing bowl

Electric or hand mixer Spatula

Mixing spoon

Pastry brush Cookie Sheet Cake Mold

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°F.
- 2. Thoroughly grease the cake mold with butter using a pastry brush and place it on a cookie sheet.
- 3. In a medium bowl, stir together flour, baking powder and salt. Set aside.
- 4. In a large mixing bowl, use the mixer to beat together butter and sugar.
- 5. Beat in the eggs, then add the vanilla.
- 6. Once combined, alternate between adding the dry ingredients and milk. Slowly pour batter into cake mold, filling about two-thirds full.
- 7. Bake for 30 to 40 minutes, until cake springs back when lightly touched. Allow to cool to room temperature in the mold before removing.
- 8. Once cooled, carefully turn the cake over to remove from mold. Decorate with Mermaid Frosting!



### **INGREDIENTS**

1 cup (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened Measuring cups and spoons 8 tablespoons (1/2 cup) butter, softened 21/2 cups powdered sugar

2 teaspoons vanilla extract

Food coloring

### **TOOLS**

Large mixing bowl 3 to 4 Small bowls Electric or hand mixer Spatula

Frosting bag with tip

### INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Combine the cream cheese and butter in a large mixing bowl using the mixer on medium speed for about one minute, until smooth.
- 2. Add the powdered sugar and vanilla extract. Continue to beat for one minute, until frosting is fluffy.
- 3. To create the mermaid effect, divide frosting into small bowls. Add the amount of food coloring until desired color is achieved. Set the first bowl aside with no or very little coloring. For the second bowl, add 1-2 drops food coloring and mix well. For the third bowl, add 3-4 drops of food coloring for the strongest color.
- 4. When frosting, work with the lightest color first. Transfer the frosting into the frosting bottle and squeeze onto the cooled cake. Enjoy!

Frosting Tip: Play with the frosting tips for different effects! You can use the flower tip to create waves or round tip to make scales! To make scales, gently squeeze the bottle to make a dollop, then press down and quickly sweep away. Repeat.

