Chocolate Bundt Cake

Servings: 10–12 Ingredients

For the Cake:

- 2½ cups (315 g) all-purpose flour
- 1 tsp baking powder
- ½ tsp baking soda
- ½ tsp salt
- 1 cup (225 g) unsalted butter, softened
- 2 cups (400 g) granulated sugar
- 4 large eggs
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- ³/₄ cup (75 g) unsweetened cocoa powder
- 1 cup (240 ml) buttermilk, room temperature
- ½ cup (120 ml) hot water or hot coffee

For the Chocolate Glaze (Optional):

- ½ cup (120 ml) heavy cream
- 4 oz (115 g) semi-sweet or dark chocolate, chopped
- 1 tsp butter

Directions

1. Preheat Oven and Prepare Pan:

- o Preheat oven to 350°F (175°C).
- o Grease a 10-inch Bundt pan with butter or nonstick spray and dust with flour.

2. Mix Dry Ingredients:

o In a medium bowl, whisk together flour, baking powder, baking soda, cocoa powder, and salt.

3. Cream Butter and Sugar:

- o In a large bowl, beat butter and sugar with an electric mixer until light and fluffy (about 3–4 minutes).
- o Beat in eggs one at a time, then stir in vanilla.

4. Combine Dry and Wet Ingredients:

- Alternately add dry ingredients and buttermilk to the butter mixture, starting and ending with dry ingredients.
- o Stir in hot water or coffee until smooth.

5. **Bake:**

- o Pour batter into prepared Bundt pan and smooth the top.
- o Bake for 50–60 minutes, or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean.
- o Cool in pan 15 minutes, then invert onto a wire rack to cool completely.

6. Optional Chocolate Glaze:

- o Heat cream until simmering. Pour over chopped chocolate and let sit 2 minutes.
- o Stir until smooth, then stir in butter.
- o Drizzle over cooled cake.