Orange Buttermilk Pound Cake

Bakes 2 cakes

Ingredients

- 2 Zest from oranges, minced (or 3 tangerines
- 2 c. sugar
- 1 c. butter, softened 2 sticks
- 4 large eggs, room temperature
- 2 1/2 c. all purpose flour
- 1 t. double acting baking powder
- 1/2 t. baking soda
- 1/2 t. salt
- 3/4 c. buttermilk

Preparation

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°.
- 2. In a food processor grind fine the peel.
- 3. With the motor running add the sugar, and blend the mixture well.
- 4. In a large bowl with an electric mixer cream the butter, add the sugar mixture, a little at a time and beat the mixture until it is light and fluffy.
- 5. Add the eggs, 2 at a time, beating well after each addition.
- 6. Into a second bowl sift together the flour, the baking powder, the baking soda, and the salt.
- 7. Add the flour mixture to the butter mixture alternately with the buttermilk, beginning and ending with the flour mixture and blending the batter after each addition.
- 8. Divide the batter between 2 buttered and floured loaf pans.
- 9. Bake in the middle rack of a preheated 350° oven for 50-60 minutes or until a tester comes out clean.
- 10. Let the cakes cool in the pans on racks for 10 minutes, turn them out onto the racks and let cool completely.
- 11. Keep wrapped tightly in plastic wrap, chilled, for 4 days. Serve at room temperature, sliced thinly across with orange or tangerine wedges as garnish.

