

Ingredients:

- ✓ 1 ½ cups flour
- √ ½ teaspoon salt
- √ 1 cup sugar
- √ 1 teaspoon baking soda
- ✓ 1 can Libby's pumpkin purée
- √ ½ cup extra virgin olive oil
- √ 2 eggs, beaten
- √ ¼ cup water
- √ 1 teaspoon vanilla flavoring
- √ ½ teaspoon nutmeg
- √ ½ teaspoon cinnamon
- √ ½ teaspoon allspice
- √ ½ cup chopped walnuts or pecans (optional – I never put nuts in)

Pumpkin Bread

Since fall is in full swing, I thought I'd share my favorite Pumpkin Bread recipe. It's bookmarked in my Fannie Farmer cookbook – I've been making this particular recipe since I was a kid, with my own flourishes, of course.

Directions:

- Preheat oven to 350°
- Butter loaf pan I use Pam for Baking, it works wonderfully
- Sift together flour, salt, sugar, and baking soda. (I just stir, not sift)
- Add the spices
- Mix pumpkin, oil, eggs, water, and vanilla, beat until smooth and slightly foamy
- Combine with dry ingredients
- If you're going to ruin it with nuts, now's the time
- Pour into a loaf pan I prefer to do several small pans so I can give them away
- Bake 50-60 minutes or until toothpick comes out clean
- Leave in pan 10-15 minutes to cool, then turn out on rack.
- Pass out among friends and family as the perfect beginning to the season!

