



HOW TO CARE FOR BAKEWARE

Most everyone takes creative pride in turning out quality baked goods in their kitchens. We all know that temperature is critical to the results of our efforts. However, do you know that the bakeware you use also plays a very important role in how your recipe will turn out.

Bakeware is made of aluminum, heat-resistant glass and ceramics, enameled metals, tin, stainless steel, cast iron or earthenware. The selection of a utensil for baking should fit the recipe. In too small a pan the batter of dough will overflow. If the pan is too large, contents will bake too hard and fast.

Shiny metal pans reflect heat and produce products with a light crust. Dull or darkened bakeware, glass utensils, and those with a colored exterior finish absorb heat and generally produce baked goods with a darker crust. You should baking in any of these pans.

develop stains and repeat the seasoning discolorations. These can be removed by boiling a solution of two to three tablespoons of lemon juice, vinegar or cream of tartar to a quart of water in the utensil for five to 10 minutes. Then scour, rinse, and dry.

A commercial stainless steel cleaner will help remove stubborn burn marks on the interior of stainless steel bakeware. It will also help rid the utensil of "heat tint", the rainbow like discoloration caused by high heat.

Cast iron pans should be pre-seasoned before use. Wash the utensil, rinse and dry. Coat the inside surface with cooking oil or shortening. Heat in a moderate oven for about two hours. After removing the bakeware, wipe away the excess grease with a paper towel. Hot sudsy water is all that is needed for subsequent

reduce the oven temperature care. The rough drying is by 25 degrees F. when important to prevent rusting. To re-season cast Aluminum utensils may iron, scour the utensil and procedure. Cast iron utensils with porcelain enamel interiors do not need seasoning.

> Tin darkens with use and age; the process is irreversible. Therefore, the baking qualities of tin will change. A dark pan will yield a much browner product than a shiny tinned pan. Tin does have a tendency to warp if subjected to sudden temperature changes and a warped pan will not bake evenly.

Many bakeware interiors are coated with a non-stick finish. Generally, besides washing, these should be conditioned before initial use by rubbing with cooking oil; be sure to follow the manufacturer's instruction. Do not oil a tubed angel food cake pan. Angel food batter must cling to the sides of the pan during baking.

Most manufacturers

recommend using nylon, hard rubber, plastic or wooden kitchen tools on nonstick finishes, glass and aluminum to prevent scratching the surface. A nylon or plastic scrubber and suds can be used to help remove burned-on foods. Scratching or bakeware finishes can also be limited by storing the pans singly in vertical slots or by placing paper towels between them. Get the most out of your bakeware. Choose durable utensils in sizes suited to your baking needs. Be sure you use recommended temperatures. Remember that your bakeware will last longer with proper care, for many a homemade treat!

HOW TO PRESERVE PAINT BRUSHES AND

ROLLERS Your paint brushes and rollers represent an investment, if you are a do-ityourself decorator. These tools will survive a number of "overhaulings" if you clean and store them correctly after each use.

Avoid letting paint harden and dry on the implements. Use a rounded stick to scrape off excess paint onto newspapers. For oil-based paint, clean in brush cleaner or mineral spirits. Then wash brushes or rollers in detergent or soap suds. If you use latex paint, simply wash tools in sudsy water. Work bristles between thumb and forefinger to coax paint from the heel of a brush. Suds the nap of a roller with both hands. Rinse. Comb brush bristles with a metal comb to prevent matting. Handle brushes by the handles; place rollers on pegs or upright to dry. When completely dry, wrap in foil to

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