I WILL HAVE YOUR SOUL DEVIL'S FOOD CAKE

Grease and flour two 8" round cake pans. Preheat oven to 350° F.

Ingredients:

- 2 cups all purpose flour
- ¾ cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- ½ cup butter or shortening
- ¾ cup caster sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 ½ cup whole milk
- ½ cup sour cream
- 3 cups homemade or store-bought chocolate frosting
- Black gel food dye
- Red decorative icing



1) In a medium bowl, sift together and then whisk:

- 2 cups all purpose flour
- 3/4 cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- 1 tablespoon baking powder

2) In a different larger bowl, use a stand or hand mixer to mix:

- ½ cup butter or shortening
- 3/4 cup caster sugar

3) Beat until light and fluffy, then add:

- 2 eggs, one at a time
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- Continue mixing for 2 minutes

4) In a bowl or a large measuring cup with a spout, whisk together:

- 1½ cup whole milk
- ½ cup sour cream
- 5) Add one half of the milk and sour cream mixture to the butter mixture and mix well. (Reserve the second half for step 7)

- 6) Add one half of the flour/cocoa mixture to the butter and milk mixture. (Reserve the second half for step 7)
- 7) Stir by hand until all ingredients are wet, then beat for one minute, scraping the bowl. Repeat steps 5 and 6 with the reserved ingredients.
- 8) Divide batter between the two prepared cake pans and bake in preheated 350° F oven for 35 minutes or until toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean.

Frosting:

Add black gel food dye to 3 cups of your favorite homemade or prepared chocolate frosting to make it black. Ice the cake in a "devil-may-care" fashion, and use a red decorative icing to inscribe an ominous message for full effect.