

## Sopapilla Cheesecake Dessert

## Ingredients

- 3 (8 oz) packages cream cheese, softened
- 1 ½ cups white sugar
- 1 ½ teaspoons vanilla extract
- 2 (8 oz) cans crescent roll dough
- 1/2 cup melted butter
- 1/2 cup white sugar (for topping)
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 cup sliced almonds (optional, for topping)

## Instructions

- 1. Step 1: Preheat the Oven
- 2. Preheat your oven to  $350^{\circ}$ F (175°C). Lightly grease a  $9 \times 13$ -inch baking dish.
- 3. Step 2: Prepare the Filling
- 4. In a mixing bowl, beat the cream cheese, 1 1/2 cups of sugar, and vanilla extract together until smooth and creamy.
- 5. Step 3: Roll the Dough
- 6. Unroll both cans of crescent dough. Use a rolling pin to gently flatten each sheet into a 9×13-inch rectangle.
- 7. Press one sheet into the bottom of the prepared baking dish to form the base crust.
- 8. Step 4: Layer the Cheesecake
- Spread the cream cheese filling evenly over the bottom crust.
  Top with the second sheet of crescent dough, carefully placing it over the filling.
- 10. Step 5: Add Topping
- 11. Pour the melted butter evenly over the top crust.

In a small bowl, mix 1/2 cup sugar with cinnamon, and sprinkle it over the butter. Add sliced almonds on top, if using.

- 12. Step 6: Bake
- 13. Bake for about 45 minutes, or until the top is puffed and golden brown.
- 14. Step 7: Cool and Serve
- 15. Allow the cheesecake to cool completely in the pan.

Cut into 12 squares and serve at room temperature or chilled.