

# Chocolate Cheesecake

## CRUST

2 cups chocolate wafer crumbs  
5 tablespoons melted butter

## FILLING

3 packages (8 ounces each) cream cheese, at room temperature  
2 ounces (2 squares) of semi-sweet chocolate  
5 large eggs  
1 cup granulated sugar

## FROSTING

6 ounces (6 squares) of melted semi-sweet chocolate  
½ cup sour cream

- 1) To prepare crust, in a medium bowl, mix together chocolate crumbs and melted butter until well blended. Press into a 9-inch springform pan.
- 2) Preheat oven to 375 degrees F.
- 3) To prepare filling, in a large bowl, beat together cream cheese, sugar, and eggs at medium speed until smooth and fluffy. Spoon 3 cups cream cheese mixture into crust.
- 4) Stir chocolate into remaining cream cheese mixture until well blended. Drizzle over batter in crust to make swirls.
- 5) Bake cheesecake for 1 hour. Transfer pan to a wire rack. Cool completely.
- 6) Transfer cheesecake to a serving plate, cover with plastic wrap, and chill for 2 hours.
- 7) Uncover cheesecake; carefully remove the side of pan.
- 8) To prepare frosting, in a small bowl, mix together chocolate and sour cream. Spread over top of cheesecake. Chill briefly until frosting is set. (Baking Tips: Cheesecake can be made 2 to 3 days in advance and kept in the refrigerator covered in plastic. Or can be frozen for up to 3 weeks.)