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# **Carrot Cake Sandwich Cookies**

Prep time: 45 minutes Bake time: 15-18 minutes @ 375° Yield: 12 sandwich cookies

### Here is what you need:

cup ground carrots – I recommend using baby carrots in a food processor
 stick unsalted butter, room temperature
 cup granulated sugar
 large egg at room temperature
 tsp pure vanilla extract
 cup all-purpose flour
 tsp cinnamon
 tsp baking soda
 tsp salt
 tsp baking powder

## **Cream Cheese Filling:**

4 oz. cream cheese, room temperature
1 stick unsalted butter, room temperature
1 tsp vanilla extract or flavoring
2 cups powdered sugar – slightly packed down

#### Here is how you do it:

Preheat oven to 375°F. Grease or line cookie sheets with parchment paper. Set aside.

In a large bowl, add ground carrots, softened butter, and sugar. Beat until combined. Incorporate egg and vanilla extract. Add remaining dry ingredients until combined.

Drop by heaping tablespoon 3 inches apart onto prepared cookie sheet. (You can also use a pastry bag to keep the cookies in a consistent round shape). Bake 15 to 18 minutes in preheated oven, until lightly golden-brown. Cool cookies completely.

#### The filling:

Using a hand-mixer on a low- medium speed, in a bowl, beat cream cheese, butter, and vanilla together. Slowly add powdered sugar until combined.

#### **Making Sandwiches:**

Choose two cookies of the same size and lay/place one upside down. Drop a dollop of frosting in middle of cookie. *Do not go to the edge; frosting will spread.* Place second cookie on top right side up. Press gently secure cookies to the frosting. Store in an airtight container for up to 7 days. (I doubt they will last that long!)

Store in an airtight container in the refrigerator for up to one week.