

## Westhaven Cake – recipe from Carl Finney

1-7oz pkg dates chopped  
1 C hot water  
1 t baking soda  
½ C butter  
1 C sugar  
2 eggs  
1 t salt  
1 t vanilla  
1 ¾ C flour  
1 T (heaping) cocoa  
1 C chopped nuts  
1 C chocolate chips

Sprinkle soda on dates and cover all with hot water and let stand. Sift dry ingredients together. Cream butter with sugar, then add the eggs one at a time beating well after each addition. Add date/water mixture to creamed mixture alternately with dry mixture then blend in vanilla. Pour into 9x13 greased pan. Sprinkle nuts and chips over top. Bake 35-40 minutes at 350. Moist yummy cake! Can also be made with raisins or figs depending on what you have on hand.