

DURGIN PARK CORN BREAD

200 YEAR OLD RECIPE FROM BOSTON

INGREDIENTS

- 3 cups <u>all-purpose flour</u>
- 2 cups <u>yellow cornmeal</u>
- 3 teaspoons <u>salt</u>
- ¾cup <u>sugar</u>
- 8teaspoons <u>baking powder</u>
- 2 large eggs
- 2 ½cups milk

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Preheat the oven to 375 degrees F.
- 2. In a large mixing bowl mix the flour, cornmeal, salt, sugar, and baking powder.
- 3. Beat the eggs and add to the dry ingredients alternately with the milk.
- 4. Mix by hand.
- 5. DO NOT USE A MIXER.
- Pour the mixture into an 11 x 13-inch greased baking dish and bake for 35 to 40 minutes.
- 7. Cut into squares and serve hot.

Durgin Park was a historic restaurant located in the Quincy Market, which dated back to the 1840s. Every generation in my family ate there. When I graduated from Harvard in 1975, my parents asked where I wanted to go for dinner. All the best restaurants in Boston were possible that celebratory day. I chose Durgin Park because it had a richness of heritage and my father loved the massive slices of prime rib and the signature strawberry shortcake.

My grandmother might use brown sugar to give the cornbread a richer taste.