

Cherry Cream Cheese Celery Bites

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SERVES: 6



INGREDIENTS:

- ☐ 1 (8 oz.) block cream cheese, at room temp.
- ☐ 1 (12 oz.) jar jumbo maraschino cherries, drained, juice reserved
- ☐ 1 bunch celery, washed, dried, and cut into 3-inch pieces

DIRECTIONS:

- ☐ 1. Place cream cheese in a small mixing bowl.
- ☐ 2. Roughly chop the cherries, leaving them relatively large, and add them to the bowl. Use a fork to combine cherries and cream cheese. If the mixture is too thick, add a teaspoon or two of the reserved cherry juice for a spreadable consistency.
- ☐ 3. Use a vegetable peeler to take a small strip off the bottom of the celery pieces. This will help keep the celery from wobbling on the platter.
- ☐ 4. Spread cherry cream cheese into celery pieces with a butter knife. Place it on your favorite holiday platter. Serve immediately, or cover and refrigerate for later.

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