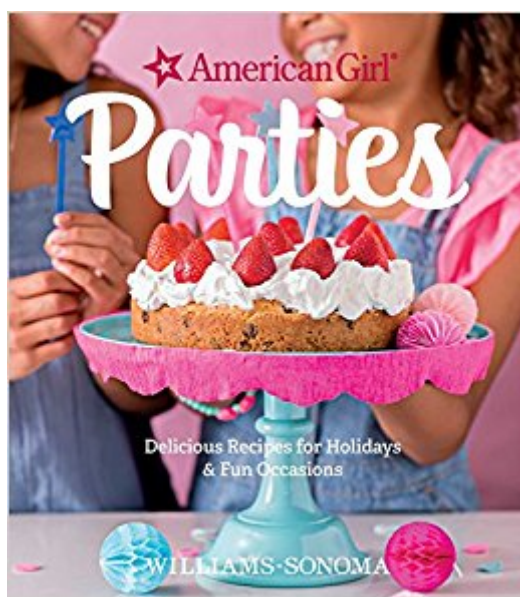


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# American Girl Parties: Delicious Recipes For Holidays & Fun Occasions



## Synopsis

Featuring 40 recipes and eight party themes, complete with fun crafts and decorating ideas for each, *American Girl Parties* will inspire young chefs and parents alike. In this third cookbook from Williams Sonoma and American Girl, aspiring chefs will discover bite-sized delicacies like chocolate-dipped strawberries and butterfly-shaped cheese sandwiches, along with fare such as chicken-apple sausages on a stick, baked sweet potato fries, and caramel-dipped apple slices for holidays like 4th of July and Halloween, paired with clever serving ideas, fun theme-driven crafts, and colorful party favors. Sweet treats include smores ice cream sundaes, raspberry jam sandwich heart cookies, cinnamon-sugar monkey bread, peppermint brownie bites, hot chocolate cookies. Savory dishes include mac & cheese cups, grilled cheese hearts with tomato-star orzo soup, bite-sized broccoli-cheddar quiches, mini corn on the cob with lime butter, biscuit-wrapped veggie hot dog "mummies." Refreshing drinks such as melon-mint agua fresca, spooky smoothies, milkshakes, and fruity "tea." Party themes: Sweetheart Party/Valentine's Day Garden Tea Party Springtime Party/Easter Summer BBQ/4th of July Sleepover Breakfast Party Burger Bar Birthday Party Spooky Party/Halloween Holiday Cookie Party. The delicious recipes, fun ideas, and colorful images in *American Girl Parties* will captivate young cooks and can be made with everyday cookware and kitchen utensils; this companion title to *American Girl Baking* and *American Girl Cooking* will be go-to resources for your little chef.

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**Carrot Cake Cupcakes**  
**Makes 18 cupcakes**  
**CUPCAKES**  
2 cups  
all-purpose flour  
1 cup firmly packed light brown sugar  
1 tablespoon  
baking powder  
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1 cup grated  
carrots  
1/2 cup vegetable oil  
4 large eggs  
1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract  
**FROSTING**  
4 ounces cream cheese, at room temperature  
6 tablespoons (1 stick) unsalted butter, at room temperature  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
2 cups powdered  
sugar  
**DECORATIONS**  
1/2 cup shredded coconut, toasted  
Jelly beans or  
speckled malted milk chocolate eggs  
To make the cupcakes, preheat the oven to 325°F.  
Line 18 cups of two standard muffin pans with paper or foil liners.  
In a large bowl, whisk  
together the flour, brown sugar, baking powder, cinnamon, and salt. In a medium bowl, combine the  
carrots, oil, eggs, and vanilla and stir until blended. Add the carrot mixture to the flour mixture and  
stir gently just until blended.  
Divide the batter evenly among the prepared muffin cups, filling  
them only three-quarters full. Bake until a toothpick inserted into the center of a cupcake comes out  
clean, 16 to 18 minutes. Remove the pans from the oven and set them on a wire rack. Let the  
cupcakes cool in the pans for about 10 minutes, then transfer them to the rack. Let cool  
completely.  
To make the frosting, in a large bowl, using an electric mixer, beat the cream  
cheese, butter, and vanilla on medium speed until smooth, about 2 minutes. Turn off the mixer and  
scrape down the bowl with a rubber spatula. Sift the powdered sugar into the bowl, then beat on low  
speed until blended.  
Using a small icing spatula, frost the cupcakes. Sprinkle the icing with the  
toasted coconut to create "nests," then top each cupcake with three candies so that  
they look like "eggs." Serve.

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