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One Sweet Little Word: Cake

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If you love cake, like I love cake, you may have noticed that a new bakery opened in Lafayette's Fiesta Square in September. It is simply called Cake, however owner and chef, Andrea Quinn, creates more than just heavenly cakes in her bakery. She also serves pies, tarts, cupcakes, breads, brownies and cookies, including some pretty darn fabulous macaroons-my personal favorite! Cake also brews Sightglass organic coffees and a variety of teas from around the world, in addition to the Bay Area's own Devil's Canyon root beer. This shop will more than satisfy any self-respecting sweet tooth!

Cake offers special occasion cakes, including wedding cakes, birthday cakes and cakes for every festivity, and though they do not sell the fresh apple cake with caramel glaze featured in this column, Quinn was happy to share her family recipe with us for the holidays.

I made this apple cake, and so did my father-in-law, so we know it is delicious and reasonably easy to make. The caramel glaze is wonderful! But, still, Quinn says her all-time favorite cake is the bakery's Perfect Chocolate Cake, made with a moist chocolate chiffon-style cake, filled and frosted with chocolate ganache. We'll have to stop by Cake for that one!

For more information, or to order your favorite cake for the holidays, please visit http://cakelafayette.com/. Cake

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