



INGREDIENTS

Crema catalana 1 litre cream 2 cinnamon sticks 2 oranges, finely zested

2 oranges, finely zested 1 vanilla bean, split with seeds reserved 250 g egg yolks 140 g caster sugar 50 ml orange juice

Crema catalana with apricots in verjuice

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20 minutes Preparation Time

20 minutes Cooking Time

8 servings Serves

Apricots

500 g dried apricots 250 ml verjuice 250 ml water 2-4 tbsp honey 2 stems rosemary

Miele Accessories Steam tray

METHOD

Crema Catalana

- 1. Place the cream into an unperforated steam tray along with cinnamon, orange zest, vanilla bean and seeds. Steam at 100°C for 10 minutes.
- 2. In a separate bowl, whisk together the yolks and sugar until well combined. Add the orange juice and stir to combine.
- 3. Remove the cream from the Steam oven and stand for a few minutes to cool slightly then pass through a sieve into a clean jug. Discard any solids.
- 4. While still warm, whisk cream into the egg mixture until fully combined. Divide evenly between 3 oven-safe serving bowls and place onto a perforated steam tray.
- 5. Preheat the combi steam oven on Conventional at 120°C.
- 6. Once preheated, change function to Combination mode. Select: Conventional at 120°C + 20 minutes + 65% moisture.
- 7. Place tray into Oven on shelf position 2 and bake until the Crema has set with a slight wobble.
- 8. Remove from the Oven and cool for 10 minutes at room temperature. Transfer to the fridge for a minimum of 4 hours or overnight.

Apricots

- 1. Place the apricots along with the verjuice and water into an unperforated steam tray. Steam at 100°C for 4 minutes.
- 2. Remove from the oven and strain verjuice liquid into a clean saucepan. Transfer apricots into a heat-proof container.
- 3. Add the honey and rosemary to the verjuice liquid. Adjust to taste, adding more honey if required. Bring to a simmer on medium to high heat, Induction setting 7. Simmer for 2 minutes or until bubbling and deep golden.
- 4. While hot, pour the syrup back over the apricots and set aside to cool.

To serve

- 1. Remove the Crema from the fridge and dust lightly with caster sugar.
- 2. Using a blow torch, caramelise the sugar on top of the crema. Serve immediately with apricots on the side.

Hints and tips

- The Crema Catalanas will keep covered in the Refrigerator for up to 3 days.
- Apricots will keep refrigerated in an airtight container for up to 2 weeks.