



Salted caramel, pecan and orange tart

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3 hours and 30 minutes

Prep time

40 minutes

Cooking time

16 tarts

Serves

INGREDIENTS

Pâte Sucrée

200 g plain flour
60 g almond meal
¼ teaspoon table salt
125 icing sugar
125 g butter
1 egg yolk

Caramel

140 g Pecan nuts

80 g white chocolate, chopped

80 ml cream

50 g caster sugar

50 g brown sugar

50 g caster sugar, extra

Finely grated zest from 1 orange

Juice from half an orange (60 ml)

1/2 teaspoon Sea Salt, ground

Miele Accessories

Baking tray

METHOD

Pâte Sucrée

- 1. Pre-heat oven on Intensive Bake at 160°C.
- 2. Place dry ingredients in the bowl of an electric mixer fitted with the paddle. Add the butter and mix until it resembles breadcrumbs.
- 3. Add the egg yolk and mix on low speed until it just comes together (don't overmix). Shape into a flat pat, wrap the pastry in plastic wrap and refrigerate for at least 3 hours.
- 4. Dust with flour and roll the pastry between two sheets of baking paper to 4 mm thickness.
- 5. Using a 10 cm plain round cutter, cut pastry discs and line 1 cm x 8 cm round tart tins. Prick the base of the tart shell all over with a fork.
- 6. Place tart shells on the wire rack on shelf position 1 and bake for 12-15 minutes until golden and cooked through.
- 7. Cool tart shells to room temperature.

Caramel

- 1. Place nuts on a baking tray and roast at 160°C for 5 minutes. Cool and chop.
- 2. Place chopped pecans and white chocolate in a heat proof bowl.
- 3. Heat the cream in a small pan on low heat, Induction setting 4, until warmed through but not boiling. Set aside.
- 4. Pre-heat a 24 cm medium frypan on high heat, Induction setting 7-8 until hot. Add 50 g of caster sugar. Shake the pan evenly to cover the base of the pan and cook until melted and just caramel in colour.
- 5. Add the brown sugar and again shake the pan to distribute, cook until caramel in colour. Add extra 50 g caster sugar, cook until caramel in colour and all sugar has dissolved.
- 6. Add the zest and juice, stirring well to combine, add the cream and salt. Cook until completely melted through and caramel in colour.
- 7. Pour the caramel over the pecan nuts and white chocolate and stir well to combine.
- 8. Spoon the pecan mixture into the pre-baked tart shells and refrigerate until set.

Note

Mixture is enough to make one 23 cm tart shell.