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Apricot Pistachio Cake

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45 minutes

1 hour

8-10

Serves

INGREDIENTS

200g dried apricots, sliced

80ml hot water

330ml coconut cream

100g cornflour

180g raw sugar

200g ground pistachio

2 tsp (10g) gluten free baking powder

1 tsp (4g) xanthum gum

1 tsp (5g) bicarbonate soda

40g tapioca flour

100ml vegetable oil

1 tsp vanilla extract

Ganache

250g dark chocolate, chopped

80g brown sugar

20g cornflour

70ml coconut cream

300ml water

METHOD

- 1. In a small bowl, steep the apricots in hot water. Leave to stand at room temperature for 10 minutes.
- 2. In a saucepan, combine coconut cream and 35g each of the cornflour and raw sugar. Stir with a whisk to ensure that the

cornflour is dissolved and free of lumps. Bring to a simmer on Induction setting 7 and continue to whisk for 2-3 minutes until the

mixture thickens and becomes translucent. Remove from heat.

3. In a separate bowl, sift together ground pistachio, baking powder, xanthum gum, bicarbonate soda, tapioca flour and remaining

cornflour.

- 4. Preheat Oven on Fan Plus at 160°C.
- 5. While the thickened coconut mixture is still warm, add the rehydrated apricots, oil and vanilla and whisk to combine. Add to the
- dry ingredients and stir to combine, ensuring there are no lumps. Transfer mixture to a paper lined 23cm round baking tin.
- 6. Change function by selecting Combination Mode:

Select: Fan Plus at 160°C + 50 minutes + 60% moisture.

Place into the Oven on a wire rack and bake until slightly springy to the touch. Remove from the Oven and cool completely in the

tin before topping with ganache.

Ganache

- 1. Place chocolate into a heat safe bowl.
- 2. Combine the remaining ingredients in a saucepan and stir with a whisk to ensure that the cornflour is dissolved and free of

lumps. Bring to a simmer while whisking on medium to high heat, Induction setting 7. Simmer for 2-3 minutes until the mixture

thickens and becomes translucent.

3. Pour the hot mixture onto the chocolate and stand for a few seconds before whisking to form a smooth emulsion, the mixture

should have a slight wobble and be free of lumps.

To serve

- 1. Turn the cake out onto a cake platter and spread approximately 1/3 of the still warm ganache over the top of the cake, allowing
- some to ooze down the sides. Smooth to a uniform finish with a palette knife or spatula and leave to set at room temperature.
- 2. Transfer the remaining ganache to the bowl of an electric mixture with the whisk attachment. Whip until cooled to room

temperature on medium to high speed; this may take 5-10 minutes. The ganache should take on a mousse-like consistency.

Transfer to a clean container and refrigerate until serving.

3. Once the ganache on the cake has set, place the whipped ganache into a piping bag with a round nozzle attached and pipe on

top a decorative pattern. Dust with a little cacao powder.

4. Alternatively, quenelle whipped ganache and serve on the side.

HINTS AND TIPS

- This cake is gluten, dairy and egg free, it is suitable for vegans when using certified vegan ingredients.
- Ground pistachio can be replaced with various wheat free flours such coconut flour, almond meal and hazelnut meal.
- Dried apricot can be replaced with any sticky dried fruits such as pear, fig, dates and prunes.