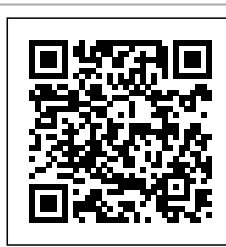


Lemon Meringue Pie



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Serves 8

Prep Time: minutes

Cook Time: minutes

Ingredients

__ 1 9 Pie Crust, store bought or homemade

For the lemon curd:

__ 1 ½ Cups of Water

__ 1 Cup of Sugar

__ ¼ Cup of Corn Starch

__ ¼ tsp of salt

__ Zest of 2 large Lemons

__ Juice of 2 Large Lemons

__ 2 Tbsp of Unsalted Butter

__ 4 egg Yolks, beaten

For the meringue:

__ 4 Egg Whites

__ 6 Tbsp of Granulated Sugar

__ ¼ tsp of Cream of Tartar

1) Preheat your oven to 350 degrees, spray a 9 tart pan with nonstick cooking spray and lay in the pie crust. Line the inside of the crust with aluminum foil and fill it with pie weights or beans. Bake for 10 minutes and remove the foil and beans and continue cooking for 15 minutes.

While the crust bakes make the lemon curd.

2) In a medium saucepan, over medium heat, combine together the first 6 ingredients and bring to a gentle boil making sure to whisk the entire time so no lumps form.

3) Add the butter and whisk until it melts, add half a cup of the hot sugar mixture to the egg yolks and whisk to get them up to temperature. Add the egg yolk mixture to the pot with the remaining sugar mixture and cook for about 1 more minute constantly whisking. Turn off the heat and set aside.

4) To make the meringue, in a large metal bowl whisk the egg whites and once they are frothy slowly add the sugar and cream of tartar and continue to whisk until they form stiff peaks.

5) To assemble, pour the lemon curd into the pre baked pie crust and top that with the meringue making sure to form little peaks on the top. Put it back in the oven and bake for 15 minutes or until golden and brown all over the top.

Let cool 3 hours before slicing.

