Pumpkin Pie

Makes 1, 9" pie

Ingredients:

- 1 pie crust
- ½ cup granulated sugar
- ½ cup brown sugar, packed
- 1 tablespoon unbleached all-purpose flour
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon nutmeg
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
- 3 large fresh eggs
- 15 ounces canned pure pumpkin puree, or 2 cups cooked and cooled pumpkin
- 12 ounces evaporated milk or light cream

Procedures:

- 1. Preheat oven to 400 degrees Fahrenheit
- 2. Roll out your pie crust into a 13" circle and transfer to your lightly greased pie pan.
- 3. Crimp the edges of the dough above the rim allowing room for the filling to expand while baking, refrigerate while oven preheats.
- 4. Combine sugar and spices together in a small mixing bowl
- 5. In a separate, large mixing bowl, beat eggs lightly until well combined, stir in pumpkin and spice mixture then gradually stir in evaporated milk.
- 6. Pour mixture into unbaked pie shell
- 7. Place pie on a parchment-lined baking pan and bake for 40-50 minutes or until a knife inserted near the center comes out clean.
- 8. Cool on a wire rack for 2 hours before slicing.

Apple Pie

Makes 1, 9" pie

Ingredients:

- 1 or 2 pie crusts
- 8 cups baking apples, peeled cored and sliced (from about 4 pounds of apples)
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- ¾ cup granulated sugar
- 2 tablespoons unbleached all-purpose flour
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- ¼ teaspoon nutmeg
- ¼ teaspoon allspice
- 1/4 cup undiluted apple juice concentrate
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract (optional)
- 2 tablespoons butter, divided into small pieces

Procedure:

- 1. Preheat the oven to 425 F
- 2. Lightly grease a 9" pie pan
- 3. Combine the apple slices and lemon juice in a large bowl
- 4. In a small bowl combine all the spices and dry ingredients, sprinkle this mixture over the apples and stir to coat
- 5. Stir in the apple juice concentrate and vanilla (if using)
- 6. Roll out one pie crust to 13" and line the pie pan with it trimming the edges so at least one inch overhangs the edge of the pan
- 7. Spoon in your apple mixture, dot the mix with the diced butter
- 8. Roll the remaining crust to 11" and carefully place on top of the apples, covering the filling
- 9. Fold the bottom crust over the top, crimp with a fork or pinch the crusts together to form a decorative seal. Cut steam vent holes in a decorative pattern or poke with a fork. Alternatively, you can weave a lattice top

- 10. Place the pie in the refrigerator for 10-15 minutes to firm up the crust before baking then place on a parchment-lined baking sheet and bake for 20 minutes
- 11. Reduce the oven temperature to 375 F and bake an additional 40 minutes or until you see the filling bubbling inside the pie (and possibly dripping onto your parchment)
- 12. Place pie on a wire rack and cool completely before slicing, rewarming slices when serving if desired

In place of a double crust, you may find it easier to make "Dutch" apple pie using a crumb topping made by mixing 1 cup of unbleached all-purpose flour, ½ cup brown sugar, packed and 8 tablespoons (1 stick) of cold butter combining until mixed together but still a little lumpy.

Shopping list

- Unbleached all-purpose flour
- Granulated sugar
- Brown sugar
- Unsalted butter
- Sour cream
- Kosher salt
- Ground ginger
- Ground cinnamon
- Ground nutmeg
- Ground cloves
- Ground allspice
- Eggs
- 1, 15 ounce can pure pumpkin puree (or med-large baking pumpkin)
- 1, 12 ounce can evaporated milk or light cream
- 4 pounds baking apples
- Lemon juice
- Apple juice concentrate (frozen)
- Cornstarch
- Vanilla extract

Equipment List for Pies

- 2, 9' deep-dish pie pans
- 2 large mixing bowls
- 3 small mixing bowls
- Rubber spatula
- Wire whisk
- Wooden spoon
- Fork
- Scissors
- Cutting board
- Knife
- Pastry wheel (pizza cutter)
- Peeler
- 2 baking pans
- Wire cooling rack
- Parchment paper
- Measuring spoons
- Measuring cups