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Sweet and Savory Tarts

Crumb Crust

4 C Ritz Cracker crumbs (4 sleeves) 8 oz (16 Tbsp) Butter 2 Large Eggs

- · Process crackers until fine
- Melt butter and mix with crackers along with the eggs.
- Add to greased tart pans and tamp very firmly bringing crumb crust up the sides (rounded tsp for mini cupcake size tarts)
- Yield 48 mini cupcake size tarts or 24 cupcake size tarts

Shortening Crust

360 g (3 C) All-Purpose Flour
1 ½ tsp Salt
3 Tbsp Granulated Sugar
227 g (1 C) High Ratio Shortening
1 Large Egg
1 tsp Apple Cider Vinegar
5 Tbsp Cold Water

- Scale flour, salt and sugar into the bowl of a food processor and mix
- Add shortening and pulse until dry and crumbly
- Add egg, sprinkle vinegar and water over top
- Mix in pulses until dough mostly comes together in a ball.
- Turn out on to counter and lightly knead to get the dough to hold together
- Use right away or refrigerate wrapped in plastic for 3 days or frozen for 1 month
- To blind bake preheat oven to 375°F. Roll out dough to 1/8" thick on lightly floured surface. Cut circles and place into tart pan. Line with foil and fill with beans. Bake for 15 minutes until golden.
- Yield crust for 2 9" pies or 24 cupcake size tarts

Sour Cream Butter Crust

360 g (3 C) All-Purpose Flour 2 Tbsp Granulated Sugar 1 tsp Kosher Salt 280 g (2 ½ sticks) Unsalted Butter 8 Tbsp (113 g) Sour Cream

- Scale flour, sugar and salt into the bowl of a food processor and mix
- Add butter that is cut into small pieces and process in long pulses until mixture is dry and crumbly.
- Add sour cream and process in pulses until the dough forms a ball
- Pour and scrape onto lightly floured counter and work gently to get the dough to combine.
- Divide in half, form into a disk, wrap in plastic and refrigerate for 1 hour before using. Store in the fridge for 3 days or the freezer for 1 month.
- Yield crust for 2 9" pies or 24 cupcake size tarts

Caramelized Onion Tart

- 3 Large Vidalia (sweet) Onions
- 4 Tbsp Butter 6 Large Eggs
- 2 C Heavy Cream
- 4 Tbsp Butter melted
- 1 tsp Kosher Salt
- 1 tsp Pepper ½ tsp Nutmeg
- 2 C Grated Gruyere Cheese Cooked Bacon (optional)
- **Caramel Apple Tart**
- 6 Large Granny Smith Apples 2 Tbsp Lemon Juice
- 8 Tbsp Butter melted
- ½ C Granulated Sugar
- 1 Tbsp Cinnamon
- 16 oz Caramel Balls (optional)
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- 1 Tbsp Cinnamon
- Powdered Sugar for dusting

- Preheat oven to 375°F Half apples, core them and slice thinly

Yield – 48 mini tarts

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and stir until smooth

Dice onions

• In a large pan stir to combine – apples, lemon juice, butter, sugar and cinnamon. Heat on medium heat until apples are soft but

In a sauté pan, melt butter, add onions and sauté over medium

Combine eggs, cream, melted butter, salt, pepper and nutmeg

Into prepared crusts arrange cheese (bacon) and then onion

heat until onions begin to brown – set aside to cool

• Pour egg custard into crust – do not over-fill

• Bake about 15 minutes until puffed and golden

- not mushy. Roll out ¼ of the Butter Crust to a rectangle about 4.25" x 11" – a
- strips 1.5" x 11" Brush strips with a little bit of the apple juices from the saucepan. Sprinkle with cinnamon and sugar.

little thinner than 1/8" thick on lightly floured surface. Cut into 3

· Position apples slightly above the top edge of the dough overlapping the ends.

Add a few caramel balls at the bottom edge of the apples.

- Fold up the bottom edge and carefully roll into a cylinder.
- · Bake about 20 minutes until crust is golden
- Cool in pan for 5 minutes before removing
- Yield 24 cupcake size tarts

Coconut Cream Tart

Coconut Pastry Cream

- 2 C Whole Milk divided
- 1 C Cream of Coconut
- ½ C (100g) Granulated Sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon Salt
- ¼ C (35g) Cornstarch
- 1 Tbsp All-Purpose Flour
- 4 Large Egg Yolks
- 4 Tbsp (57g) butter in small pieces
- 2 teaspoons Vanilla Bean Paste
- 1 C Macaron Coconut

Whipped Cream Topping - Combine together and whip to stiff peaks 1 C Heavy Cream

- 1 Tbsp Piping Gel
- ½ C Powdered Sugar

- Make the pastry cream • In a medium saucepan combine 1 1/2 cups milk, cream of
- coconut, sugar and salt. Bring to a simmer over medium heat, stirring to dissolve the sugar.
- In a bowl, whisk cornstarch, flour, egg yolks and 1/2 cup milk.
- · Temper the yolk mixture with some of the warm milk
- Pour the egg/milk mixture back into the remaining simmering milk. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly with a whisk, until the mixture thickens.
- Remove from heat and strain through a fine strainer into a bowl. Stir in butter and mix until melted. Mix in vanilla and coconut.
- Cover with plastic wrap right on the surface.
- · Refrigerate until cool.
- Store covered in the refrigerator, for up to 5 days.

Blind bake pie crust and cool.

Into pie crust – pipe pastry cream. Top with whipped cream. Refrigerate.