PUMPKIN MAPLE PIE

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- Pie Crust -

INGREDIENTS

- 1 cup flour plus more for dusting
- 4 tablespoons sugar
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 1/2 cup cold butter (1 stick), cut in to 1/4 inch cubes
- 4-6 Tbls ice water

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Using a stand mixer with the paddle attachment, add flour, sugar and salt to bowl. Mix on low until incorporated.
- 2. Add butter cubes and mix until butter pieces are pea sized. Will still be floury with small bits of butter.
- 3. With the mixer on low, add ice water, one tablespoon at a time until the dough comes together loosely. It will not be a ball, but will stick together when pressed.
- 4. Turn out dough onto floured counter. Form with hands in to a flat, round disk. Flour rolling pin and roll into a circle to fit your pie plate. Transfer to pie plate.
- 5. Trim off extra around sides and pinch edge to form a pretty rim. I make "cookies with the extra dough, placing on a cookie sheet and sprinkling with sugar and cinnamon.
- 6. Cook in one for about 10 minutes until golden brown on edges.

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– Pumpkin Filling –

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One 15 ounce can of pumpkin or 1 1/2 cups cooked sugar pumpkin 1/3 cup pure maple syrup 1/3 cup packed dark brown sugar 1/2 tsp ground ginger 1/2 tsp ground nutmeg 1/2 tsp ground cinnamon 1/2 tsp salt3 tablespoons flour 2 eggs, beaten 1 tsp vanilla 3/4 cup heavy cream

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Whisk together all ingredients until smooth.
- 2. Pour into pie crust. Cook for 1 hour or until crust is browned, filling is puffed and only slightly jiggly in the center.
- 3. If the edge of the crust starts to brown before the filling is set, cover just the crust edge with a double layer of foil.
- 4. Cool before serving.

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