Custard and Fruit Tarts (Mini)

The Essential Appetizers Cookbook (1999) Whitecap Books

Yield: 36 tarts

4 sheets ready-rolled shortcrust pastry 1 vanilla pod 1 1/4 cups milk 2 egg yolks 2 tablespoons sugar 3 tablespoons plain flour sliced fruit (for garnish) apricot jam (for garnish), warmed and sieved Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Grease three shallow twelve-cup muffin tins.

Using a 2-3/4-inch round cutter, cut rounds from four sheets of ready-rolled sweet shortcrust pastry. Place in the tins. Press down. Prick the bottoms several times with a fork.

Bake for 12 to 15 minutes or until golden brown. Remove and cool.

Cut the vanilla pod in half. Place in a saucepan with the milk. Slowly bring to a boil, then remove from the heat and cool slightly.

In a large heatproof bowl, whisk the egg yolks and sugar until thick and pale. Add the flour, then gradually mix in the vanilla milk. Return to a clean pan. Heat slowly, stirring constantly, for 5 to 10 minutes or until it boils and thickens.

Allow to cool. Then spoon evenly into each pastry cup. Top with some sliced fruit.

Glaze with warmed apricot jam.

Per Serving (excluding unknown items): 403 Calories; 20g Fat (45.4% calories from fat); 16g Protein; 40g Carbohydrate; 0g Dietary Fiber; 467mg Cholesterol; 164mg Sodium. Exchanges: 1/2 Lean Meat; 1 Non-Fat Milk; 3 1/2 Fat; 1 1/2 Other Carbohydrates.

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| Calories (kcal): | 403 |
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| % Calories from Fat: | 45.4% |
| % Calories from Carbohydrates: | 39.3% |
| % Calories from Protein: | 15.4% |
| Total Fat (g): | 20g |
| Saturated Fat (g): | 9g |
| Monounsaturated Fat (g): | 7g |
| Polyunsaturated Fat (g): | 2g |
| Cholesterol (mg): | 467mg |
| Carbohydrate (g): | 40g |
| Dietary Fiber (g): | 0g |
| Protein (g): | 16g |
| Sodium (mg): | 164mg |
| Potassium (mg): | 494mg |
| Calcium (mg): | 410mg |
| lron (mg): | 1mg |
| Zinc (mg): | 2mg |
| Vitamin C (mg): | 3mg |
| Vitamin A (i.u.): | 1030IU |
| Vitamin A (r.e.): | 310RE |

| Vitamin B6 (mg): Vitamin B12 (mcg): Thiamin B1 (mg): Riboflavin B2 (mg): Folacin (mcg): Niacin (mg): Caffeine (mg): Alcohol (kcal): | .2mg 2.1mcg .2mg .7mg 64mcg trace 0mg 0 |
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| Food Exchanges | |
| Grain (Starch): | 0 |
| Lean Meat: | 1/2 |
| Vegetable: | 0 |
| Fruit: | 0 |
| Non-Fat Milk: | 1 |
| Fat: | 3 1/2 |
| Other Carbohydrates: | 1 1/2 |

Nutrition Facts

Amount Per Serving

| Calories 403 | Calories from Fat: 183 |
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| | % Daily Values* |
| Total Fat 20g | 31% |
| Saturated Fat 9g | 47% |
| Cholesterol 467mg | 156% |
| Sodium 164mg | 7% |
| Total Carbohydrates 40g | 13% |
| Dietary Fiber 0g | 0% |
| Protein 16g | |
| Vitamin A | 21% |
| Vitamin C | 5% |
| Calcium | 41% |
| Iron | 7% |

* Percent Daily Values are based on a 2000 calorie diet.