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Golden Milk Mix

Serves 15 (1 teaspoon servings)

Time 5 minutes Vegan Common Allergens Check milk label Recipe from Minimalist Baker

Ingredients

- 4 tablespoons ground turmeric
- 2 teaspoons ground ginger (or more to taste)
- 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon (or more to taste)
- 1 teaspoon ground black pepper (or more to taste)

ADD-INS (optional)

- 1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/8 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1/8 teaspoon ground cardamom

TO MAKE GOLDEN MILK

- 1 heaped teaspoon Golden Milk Mix (recipe above)
- 1-2 teaspoons sweetener of choice
- 2 teaspoons hot water
- 1 cup dairy-free milk

Instructions

- 1. To make mix, add all spices (add-ins optional) to a small jar and shake or stir thoroughly to combine. Will keep at room temperature up to 3 months. Or you can store it in the refrigerator if you prefer. Double the recipe if you intend to use it daily (it goes fast!).
- 2. To make HOT golden milk, add 1 heaped teaspoon Golden Milk Mix, 1-2 teaspoons sweetener of choice (more or less to taste), and 2 teaspoons water to a small saucepan. Use a spoon to mix into a loose paste (you want as few clumps as possible). Then add dairy-free milk of choice and whisk to combine. Heat over medium heat until just hot/warm (not boiling).
- 3. To make ICED golden milk, add 1 heaped teaspoon Golden Milk Mix, 1-2 teaspoons sweetener of choice (more or less to taste), and 2 teaspoons water to a serving glass. Use a spoon to mix into a loose paste (you want as few clumps as possible). Then add several big ice cubes and top with dairy-free milk of choice. Stir to combine.



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Easy Chili Crisp

Yields 12 servings

Time 10 minutes

Vegan

Common Allergens Peanuts

Ingredients

- ¹/₂ cup neutral-flavored oil, such as canola
- 2 teaspoons Sichuan peppercorns, optional
- 1 cinnamon stick, optional
- 1 ½ tablespoons dried minced onion
- 1 tablespoon dried minced garlic
- 1⁄4 cup red chili flakes, or a mix of varieties such as Aleppo, gochugaru, etc.
- 2 tablespoons roasted peanuts, chopped
- 1 teaspoon salt or to taste

Instructions

- Heat oil in a saucepan over low heat. If using, add Sichuan peppercorns and cinnamon stick and cook until they start to darken, about 2-3 minutes. Strain the peppercorns and cinnamon stick out of the oil and discard.
- 2. Add the minced onion and garlic to the pan with the oil. Lightly fry until they turn a light golden brown, about 1-2 minutes. Stir in the remaining ingredients and turn off the heat.
- 3. Store in an airtight container in the refrigerator.



Notes

There are many varieties of chili flakes that provide different flavors and different levels of heat. Choose the chili flakes (or a blend) that best meet your preferences:

- Major brand chili flakes or crushed red pepper – usually a proprietary blend of peppers, so taste and heat will vary
- Gochugaru seedless, fruity, fairly mild
- Aleppo smoky, fruit, a little spicy

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Peanut Butter Chocolate Dates

Yields 12 dates Time 15 minutes Vegetarian, can be vegan Common Allergens Peanuts, check labels



Ingredients

- 12 medjool dates
- ¹/₄ cup peanut butter
- 3 ounces dark chocolate, broken into small chunks
- ¹/₄ cup chopped peanuts (optional)

Note

You can use chocolate chips in this recipe, but for a coating that is glossy and doesn't melt as easily, try this easy seeding tempering method: Make sure all equipment (bowl, spoon) is completely dry. Use chocolate chunks (or a bar chopped into chunks). Melt 2/3 of the chocolate. Stir in remaining 1/3 chocolate and stir until it is all melted. Cool chocolate until it feels cool to the touch on your wrist (88-90°F). If it hardens, reheat over hot water for 1-2 seconds.

Instructions

- 1. Make a slit in dates lengthwise, but don't cut all the way through. Remove the stem and pit if not already been removed.
- 2. Using a butter knife or spoon, fill each date with enough peanut butter to fill the cavity. Alternatively, use a piping bag to fill the dates with peanut butter. Push the two sides of the date closed and wipe off any excess peanut butter.
- 3. Melt the chocolate in a double boiler or by heating in 30 seconds increments in the microwave, stirring after each one, until melted.
- 4. Dip each filled date in chocolate using a fork or toothpick, then place onto a silicone baking mat or parchment paper. Top with chopped peanuts if using. Let cool.
- 5. Store in an airtight container. To extend the shelf life, store in the refrigerator.