Holiday Treats

Fall 2023





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
- ¼ 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.

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