Parsnip Sticky Toffee Pudding

Makes 4 Ramekins

Equipment

(4) 6 oz RamekinsStand MixerMedium saucepan

Ingredients

Pudding

- 4 large medjool dates or 6 small, pits removed, roughly chopped
- 1 cup whole milk
- 7 tablespoons unsalted butter at room temperature
- ¼ cup coconut sugar
- 3 tablespoons unsulfured molasses
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 1/4 cup einkorn flour
- ½ teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 medium-sized parsnip, 1 cup grated

Toffee Sauce

½ cup heavy cream

⅓ cup maple syrup

- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Pinch of salt

Instructions

- 1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.
- In a medium saucepan, add chopped dates and milk. Over low heat, slowly
 warm until the dates are softened and have broken down a bit, 3-4 minutes. Stir
 frequently to prevent milk from curdling and avoid a simmer. Once softened, set
 aside to cool.
- 3. In the bowl of a stand mixer with the paddle attachment, cream the softened butter and coconut sugar together until smooth. Beat the molasses and eggs one at a time, then the vanilla extract. Mix thoroughly and scrape down the sides with a spatula until well incorporated.
- 4. Add the flour, baking soda, baking powder, and grated parsnips, and mix on low speed until smooth.
- 5. Next, mix in the cooled date and milk mixture. Use a spatula to scrape down the sides and mix until no lumps are left and the batter is smooth and thoroughly combined.
- 6. Butter the ramekins and place on a sheet pan. Evenly divide the batter between the four ramekins and bake for 30-35 minutes until the tops are deep golden brown, the pudding is firm to the touch, and a knife inserted into the center comes out reasonably clean. It's okay if the puddings are slightly underbaked; we want that nice, super soft, moist pudding texture.
- 7. While puddings are baking, make the toffee sauce. Heat heavy cream, maple syrup, and butter in a medium saucepan over medium-low heat. Whisk until smooth, and the sauce begins to bubble and slowly simmer. Whisk occasionally to prevent burning for about 3-4 minutes until bubbly and thickened.

 Immediately take off the heat and mix in the vanilla.

- 8. Use a fork to poke holes in the tops of the puddings, then spoon a few tablespoons of the warm sauce over the puddings and allow to soak in.
- 9. To serve, either eat out of the ramekin or invert pudding onto a plate and pour over more sauce. Serve with vanilla ice cream or a drizzle of heavy cream if desired and enjoy!