

Salted Honey Gingernut Cheesecake

MEDIUM • 1 HOUR

We've dialled up the sweet-salty factor on this iconic baked cheesecake recipe, made with all honey instead of sugar, an irresistible salted honey drizzle and moreish gingernut biscuit base.



SKILL LEVEL Medium PREP TIME 20 mins **COOKING TIME** 40 mins plus cooling time SERVINGS

Ingredients

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Cake

- 165g gingernut biscuits (or gluten-free sweet biscuits + 1 tsp ground ginger)
- 50g unsalted butter, melted
- 1 tsp vanilla bean paste
- 500g cream cheese, softened
- 2 tbsp plain flour (or gluten free plain flour)
- 150g Capilano Honey
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 2 eggs, plus 1 yolk, extra
- 150g sour cream

Topping

- 150g sour cream (thick part only, do not over-mix)
- 150g Capilano Honey
- 1 tsp lemon juice
- Pinch sea salt flakes

Used in this recipe

Method

- 1. Preheat oven to 160°C (fan-forced). Grease and line the base of a 20cm springform cake tin with baking paper.
- 2. Place biscuits in a food processor and pulse until fine. Add melted butter and vanilla, pulse until combined. Press mixture into base of cake tin using the back of a metal spoon to smooth, ensuring the biscuits are well compacted. Chill until ready to bake.
- 3. In a stand mixer with paddle attachment, mix softened cream cheese on medium speed until smooth, approx. 1-2 minutes. Add honey, sour cream and vanilla, mix until combined, then add eggs and yolk 1 at a time, beating in between until smooth. Sift flour into bowl and fold on low speed until just incorporated.
- 4. Place tin on a baking tray. Transfer cheesecake mixture into tin and bake for 40 minutes until mixture is set but still wobbly. Leave cheesecake in oven with oven turned off and door ajar for 1 hours until cooled, to prevent cracks forming. Allow to cool to room temperature on benchtop before chilling at least 4 hours or ideally overnight.
- 5. While cheesecake is baking, prepare salted honey sauce. Combine honey, I tbsp water and lemon juice in a small saucepan over low heat. Heat until small bubbles begin to form, and swirl (without mixing) until mixture is golden brown and caramelised (2-4 minutes approx.). Stir in sea salt flakes and allow to cool. Transfer to a jar or airtight container until ready to serve.
- 6. To serve, spread thick sour cream over top of cheesecake creating swirls using a palette knife or spatula. Gently warm salted honey sauce by standing container in warm water.
- 7. Drizzle sauce over top of cheesecake and finish with sea salt flakes.

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