## Mulled Port \& Cherry Pie



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Heading: Puddings
Cuisine: British \& Irish
Food Type: Vegetarian
No of Portions: 6

## Ingredients \& Prep

650 g Fresh pitted black cherries cut in half
250 ml Port ruby
80 g Caster sugar
4 Cloves
2 Star anise
1/2 Orange, zest peeled strips
1 tsp Vanilla paste
1/4 tsp Ground cinnamon
$11 / 2$ tbsp Arrowroot Powder
2 tbsp Water
1 Egg beaten for brushing
Pastry
200 g Plain flour
75 g Self-raising flour
150 g Butter salted
30 g Custard powder
1 Egg
2 tbsp Water cold

## Method

Step 1 - Place flours \& custard powder in a bowl mix, then grate in half cold butter, then mix in using finger tips, then grate in the other half of the butter \& mix in or pulse to a breadcrumb in a food processor, in a bowl add the egg \& water to the flour mixture \& combine to form a dough, if dry add more water a little at a time, then wrap in cling film \& place in the fridge to rest for at least 45 mins.
Step 2 - Put the cherries, port, sugar, star anise, orange peel strips, vanilla \& cinnamon into a saucepan bring to a simmer on a low heat for 3 minutes, take off the heat \& allow to cool for 15 minutes, then mix arrowroot powder with water, stir in \& place back in a med heat stir \& simmer until it thickens, then set aside to cool.

Step 3 - Pre-heat oven to $170^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ fan.
Step 4 - Take cold pastry \& cut a $1 / 3$ off for the top, then with the remaining $2 / 3$ s form a ball then roll out on a floured work top with a rolling pin to fit a loose bottom tart/pie tin ( 24 cm for 6 portion recipe), scrunch up some greaseproof paper line over the pastry then fill with baking beads of raw rice $\&$ bake for 12 minutes, remove form the oven \& allow to cool, remove paper etc.
Step 5 - Remove spices \& peel then tip cherry mixture into the pie case then roll out the top \& cover \& trim off any excess pastry, brush over beaten egg with a pastry brush \& bake for 25 minutes or until golden brown on top.

## Suggestion \& Tips

Eat warm with lots of double cream or vanilla ice cream. You could use different types of berries or fruit.

