A preview of one of the recipes from

"Seven Sweets & Seven Sours"

A Granny Hanny Amish Country Mystery.

This is one of Hannah's quilt class favorite deserts from their fundraising "Seven Sweets & Seven Sours - Yummy for the Tummy" cookbook.

Winter Seven Sweets Pie

1/4 cup chopped almonds

1 cup fresh cranberries

½ cup golden raisins

½ cup chopped dried apricots

¼ cup chopped dates

34 cup water

1/3 cup orange juice

2 teaspoons grated lemon peel, or 1/8 to ¼ teaspoon lemon oil

1 cup plus 2 tablespoons granulated sugar

½ teaspoon cinnamon

1/4 teaspoon allspice

1 egg, well beaten

1/4 cup bread crumbs

1 tablespoon butter, melted

1 tablespoon sugar

2 unbaked 9" pie crusts (dough for a double-crust 9" pie)

INSTRUCTIONS

Spread almonds in a pan and bake at 350° F for 10 minutes, or until golden brown. Set aside.

Spoon filling into crust. Sprinkle with almonds. Place top crust on pie and seal,* fluting edges decoratively. Cut slit in top crust. Brush crust with melted butter, and sprinkle with sugar.

Bake pie on the lowest shelf of a preheated 425° F oven for 10 minutes, then reduce heat to 375° F and bake an additional 30 to 35 minutes, or until crust is golden brown and filling is bubbling. Remove from oven and cool completely on a wire rack. Serve warm or at room temperature, with ice cream, if desired.

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