Semolina Pudding Recipe (Indian)

Ingredients:

2 tablespoons vegetable oil

10 cashew nuts

2 tablespoons raisins

80 g unsalted butter

250 g semolina

200 g castor sugar

1/4 teaspoon green cardamom powder

pinch of saffron threads, infused in 2 tablespoons warm milk

2 tablespoons grated fresh coconut (white part only), toasted

To serve:

80 g shrikhand or Saffron and Cardamom Yogurt (refer to desserts recipes)

- sweetened thick yogurt
- 1 plum, cut into thin slices

Method:

Heat the oil in a sauté pan, wok or kadhai and fry the cashew nuts and raisins for 2-3 minutes until the nuts are colored and the raisins plump up. Remove and drain on paper towels; set aside. Drain off the oil.

Heat the butter in the pan and fry the semolina for about 10-15 minutes until golden brown in color, with a nutty aroma. Slowly add 300 ml hot water, stirring constantly to avoid lumps forming. Add the sugar, cardamom powder and infused saffron. Cook gently over a low heat for 5-7 minutes to blend the flavors. Stir in the coconut, cashew nuts and raisins, then remove from the heat.

Spread the mixture evenly in a greased shallow tin to a 2-3cm depth and allow to cool, then chill for 1 hour or until set. Cut into triangles or diamond-shaped pieces. Serve cold, topped with a spoonful of saffron and Cardamom Yogurt and plum slices.

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