Maple Rosemary Spiced Nuts



This recipe is the perfect blend of sweet and savory with just a little heat, satisfying everyone. Add to air popped popcorn, dried fruit and chocolate chips for a festive trail mix!

YIELD		PREP TIME	TOTAL TIME
ABOU	T 1 CUP	5 MIN	45 MIN

INGREDIENTS

Nuts, any variety, whole or chopped	
Maple Syrup	
Rosemary, fresh, chopped	
Cinnamon, ground	
Nutmeg, ground	
Cayenne Pepper	
Kosher Salt	

CHEF'S NOTES

We recommend using Pecans, walnuts, or cashews in this recipe. Pumpkin seeds also work well! If mixing different nuts and seeds together, think about their sizes. For even cooking, you may want to chop some of the nuts.

You can easily scale this recipe up or down to make the quantity you need for gift giving of serving.

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Gather all necessary equipment and ingredients.
- 2. Combine the nuts, maple syrup, rosemary, cinnamon, nutmeg, cayenne and salt in a skillet over medium-low heat. Use a spatula to toss until evenly coated.
- 3. Cook until mixture reaches a low simmer, stirring occasionally. Simmer for about 10 to 15 minutes, stirring often, until the liquid in the maple syrup has evaporated and the sugars have crystallized. The maple syrup will go through the following stages:
 - <u>Thin and liquid</u>: the nuts will be lightly coated as the sugars in the maple syrup begin to caramelize; stir every 1-2 minutes
 - <u>Thick and glazed</u>: the mixture will become caramelized and coat the nuts; stir every 1 minute and break up the larger clumps of nuts as they stick together
 - <u>Crystalized and grainy</u>: when you see that the sugars are dry and coating the nuts with a crust, the nuts are almost done; stir constantly
- 4. Pour the nuts onto a small sheet pan or plate lined with parchment paper. Break apart any large clumps with a spatula and allow to cool to room temperature.









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