Strawberry Cheesecake Parfaits



This no-bake recipe comes together quickly and results in a lighter version of a traditional cheesecake dessert.

YIELD	PREP TIME	TOTAL TIME
12 SERVINGS	20 MIN	25 MIN

INGREDIENTS

For the Fruit Sauce:

2 cups Strawberries, frozen, unsweetened

1 Tbsp Sugar ¼ cup Water

For the Cheesecake Filling & Assembly:

1 cup Heavy Whipping Cream

8 oz Cream Cheese, regular or reduced fat

1 cup Cottage Cheese, low-fat

½ cup Powdered Sugar 1 tsp Vanilla Extract

6 each Graham Crackers, crumbled

CHEF'S NOTES

Parfaits are a customizable dish, made by layering ingredients of different textures and flavors. Personalize your own by using your favorite fruit, including a touch of citrus zest, or by adding an additional layer of toasted and chopped nuts!

<u>Pro Tip</u>: Break graham crackers into large pieces and place in a Ziploc bag. Use a rolling pin, bottom of a cup, or simply use your hands to crush the crackers into small crumbs perfect for your parfait.

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Gather all necessary equipment and ingredients. Prepare all ingredients as described above.
- 2. <u>To make the fruit sauce</u>: In a medium saucepot over medium-low heat, combine the frozen strawberries, sugar, and water. Allow to simmer for about 5 minutes, then mash the fruit using a potato masher or fork. Simmer for an additional 10 minutes. Remove from heat and allow to cool.
- 3. <u>To make the cheesecake filling</u>: In a large bowl, whip the heavy cream with an electric mixer or by hand, using a whisk. Once soft peaks have formed, transfer whipped cream to the refrigerator until ready to use.
- 4. Add cream cheese, cottage cheese, powdered sugar, and vanilla to a large blender pitcher. Starting on low and gradually increasing the speed, blend until smooth and creamy, about 2 minutes. Scrape down the sides of the blender as needed.
- 5. Transfer the cream cheese mixture to the large mixing bowl with the whipped cream. Using a rubber spatula, gently fold in the whipped cream until just combined. Do not overmix, so that the mixture remains light and airy.
- 6. To assemble the parfaits: Divide graham cracker crumbs evenly between 12 (8 oz.) cups. Add ⅓ cup of cheesecake mixture to each cup then top with 1 Tbsp of strawberry sauce. Chill until ready to serve. Enjoy!

Nutrition	Facts	
12 servings per container Serving size 1 parfait (101g)		
Amount Per Serving Calories	190	
	% Daily Value*	
Total Fat 12g	15%	
Saturated Fat 8g	40%	
Trans Fat 0g		
Cholesterol 35mg	12%	
Sodium 200mg	9%	
Total Carbohydrate 16g	6%	
Dietary Fiber <1g		
Total Sugars 11g		
Includes 8g Added Sugars	16%	
Protein 5g		
Vitamin D 0.3mcg	2%	
Calcium 30mg	2%	
Iron 0.5mg	2%	
Potassium 70mg	2%	
* The % Daily Value (DV) tells you how much of food contributes to a daily diet. 2,000 contributes advice.		

CONTAINS: MILK, WHEAT, SOY







