Pumpkin Praline Bread Pudding



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Serves 8-10

Prep Time: 15 minutes Cook Time: 1 hours 0 minutes

Ingredients

For the bread pudding:

- __1 Loaf of Challa Bread, cut into thick slices
- __1 cup of Heavy Cream
- _1 cups of Whole Milk
- __15oz Can of Pumpkin Puree
- __1/2 cup of Granulated Sugar (or vanilla
- sugar if you have it)
- __5 Eggs
- __1 Tbsp of Vanilla Extract
- __1 Tbsp of Pumpkin Pie Spice
- __Pinch of Salt

For the sauce:

__1/2 cup (one stick) of Unsalted Butter,

- softened at room temperature
- __1/2 cup of Granulated Sugar
- ___1/2 cup of Brown Sugar
- __1 cup of Heavy Cream
- __1 cup of Chopped Pecans
- __1/2 tsp of Salt
- __1 Tbsp of Vanilla Extract

1) Stagger the challa slices in a buttered large baking dish (a 9x13 will work for this or a bit smaller) set aside while you make the custard.

2) In a large bowl (or large measuring cup) whisk together the milk, cream, pumpkin puree, pumpkin pie spice, eggs, sugar, vanilla and salt, gently pour over the challa, cover and refrigerate for a minimum of a few hours or overnight.



3) Bake in a 350 degree oven for an hour or until set around the edges, puffed and golden brown, while that bakes, make the sauce.

4) In a saucepan, add the butter and both kinds of sugar, cook over medium heat until butter is melted and sugar begins to cook down, add the cream, vanilla, salt and pecans, reduce the heat to medium low and simmer 5-6 minutes until thick and bubbly, remove from the heat and allow to cool a bit until ready to use.