Crème Brûlée Filled Strawberries



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INGREDIENTS

- 1 cup/232 g heavy cream
- 1/3 cup/80 g half and half
- Seeds from 1/4 vanilla bean or 1/4 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 4 egg yolks
- 1/4 cup/50 g granulated sugar
- 30 to 40 medium strawberries capped, hollowed and pointed ends trimmed flat
- Additional granulated sugar for sprinkling

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Preheat the oven to 300F.
- 2. Heat the cream, half and half, and vanilla bean (or vanilla extract) in a medium saucepan over medium heat just to a boil. Immediately turn off the heat. Set aside to infuse for 10 minutes.
- 3. Whisk the egg yolks with the sugar in a large bowl until just combined. Whisking constantly, gradually pour in the hot cream mixture. Pour the mixture into a 10×10-inch baking and remove the vanilla bean.
- 4. Place the 10×10-inch pan in a large roasting pan and pour in hot water until it reaches halfway up the custard pan. Bake in the center of the oven until the custard is set but still has a slight wobble (it will cook more as it cools), about 55-65 minutes. Remove it from the water

bath and let it cool. Cover with plastic wrap and place in the refrigerator until chilled, about 2 hours.

- 5. Fill each berry with a spoonful of creme brulee. Store the filled berries in the refrigerator until you're ready to serve them.
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NOTES

The longer the berries stand at room temperature, the more likely they are to weep a little berry juice around the bottoms. I suggest serving these in paper liners or cute candy cups. They'll keep things tidy and disguise drips of berry juice.

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KEYWORD

caramelized sugar, custard, dipped strawberries

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