Pumpkin Pie

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Ingredients

Frozen Pie Crusts 2 Cream Cheese 8 oz.	Milk
Canned Pumpkin 2 cups	Vanilla Extract I tsp.
Sugar cup	Cinnamon, ground ½ tsp.
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Salt	Ginger, ground½ tsp.
ı egg, plus 2 yolks 3 eggs	Whipped Cream 1 cup
Heavy Cream½ cup	

Directions

Preheat Oven to 350°F — Thaw **pie crusts** about **15 minutes** at room temperature — Lightly beat eggs

Pie Crusts

- I. Fit a piece of aluminum foil to cover the inside of the shell completely. Fill the shell to the edges with dried beans.
- 2. Bake the **pie crusts** at **350°F** for **10 minutes**, then remove the beans and foil and bake for another **5-10 minutes** until dried and beginning to color. Keep warm.

Filling

- 1. In a large mixing bowl beat the cream cheese with a hand mixer.
- 2. Add the **pumpkin**, then beat until combined.
- 3. Add the **sugar** and **salt**, then beat until combined.
- 4. Add the eggs and yolks, milk, cream, and butter, then beat until combined.
- 5. Add the vanilla, cinnamon, and ginger, then beat until combined.
- 6. Pour the filling into the pie crusts and loosely wrap the edges with aluminum foil to prevent burning.
- 7. Bake for 40 minutes at 350°F
- 8. Remove foil from edges and bake for **10 minutes**, or until the center is set.
- 9. Cool on a wire rack until room temperature. Slice and serve topped with whipped cream.