VEGAN CHAI ICE CREAM

Prep time	Total time
1 hour	1 hour

Cashew-based vegan chai ice cream that's luxuriously creamy and spicy-sweet. Surprisingly easy with simple ingredients, plus no boiling or chilling required!

Author: Minimalist Baker Recipe type: Dessert

Cuisine: Vegan, Gluten Free

Serves: 6



Ingredients

- 1.5 cups raw cashews, soaked for 4-6 hours (or overnight), then drained
- 1 cup light coconut milk (or sub another dairy free milk, such as almond or rice)
- 3 packets chai tea (or ~4 tsp loose leaf, or sub black tea for a more subtle chai flavor)
- 1/4 cup coconut oil, melted (or olive oil)
- 1/4 cup agave nectar or maple syrup (or sub honey if not vegan)
- 1/4 cup cane sugar
- 1 tsp pure vanilla extract
- 1/2 tsp each cinnamon and ginger powder
- Optional: 1/4 tsp each black pepper, ground cloves and cardamom

Instructions

- 1. Set your churning bowl in the freezer the night before to chill. Soak your cashews the night before as well, or for at least 4-6 hour before blending.
- 2. When ready to prepare ice cream, steep your chait ea in 3/4 cup boiling water for at least 10 minutes. It should be very strong. Remove tea bags, squeezing out excess tea, and let cool in the fridge.
- 3. In the meantime, drain cashews and measure out other ingredients.
- 4. Add tea and all remaining ingredients to a blender and blend until creamy and smooth about 3-4 minutes, using liquify if you have the option. Taste and adjust sweetness/flavors as needed.
- 5. Add mixture to your chilled ice cream maker bowl and churn according to manufacturer's instructions until thoroughly chilled, about 45 minutes. It should resemble thick soft serve.
- 6. Transfer to a freezer-safe container, cover and freeze until hard at least 6 hours, preferably overnight. Will keep in the freezer for up to a week.

Notes

Nutrition Information

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Serving size: 1/2 cup Calories: 371 Fat: 26 g Saturated fat: 12 g Carbohydrates: 31 g Sugar: 20 g Sodium: 16 mg Fiber: 1 g Protein: 5.7 g
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Recipe by Minimalist Baker at http://minimalistbaker.com/vegan-chai-ice-cream/

^{*}If you don't have all of the spices on hand, just add what you have and let the chai tea concentrate compensate the flavor.

^{*}Inspired by / loosely adapted from *Isa Chandra*.

^{*}Preparation time reflects hands-on preparation, not soaking cashews and extra freezing.