Cherry Pie - Classic Label Recipe

Ingredients

1/2 - 3/4 cup sugar*
2 cans Oregon Red Tart Cherries
3 tablespoons cornstarch
1/4 teaspoon almond extract (optional)
1 tablespoon butter or margarine
2 crusts for a 9-inch pie

Instructions

- 1. Preheat oven to 400 degrees F.
- 2. Drain the cherries and reserve the juice from only one can.
- 3. In a saucepan, stir the cherry juice into the combined mixture of the cornstarch and sugar. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly until thickened.
- 4. Remove from heat. Gently stir in cherries and almond extract.
- 5. Pour filling into pastry lined pie pan. Dot with butter or margarine. Adjust crust, seal and vent.
- 6. Bake 30-40 minutes or until crust browns and filling begins to bubble. If necessary, cover edges with aluminum foil during last 15 minutes to prevent over-browning. Cool pie several hours to allow filling to thicken before slicing.

Makes 8 servings.

*Sugar may be increased to taste.