

# Tony Chocolate Linzer Torte

# INGREDIENTS

12-ounce jar (about 1 cup) seedless raspberry jam

1 ¾ sticks (14 tablespoons)unsalted butter, softened

1/2 cup granulated sugar

3 large egg yolks

1 teaspoons cinnamon

1 teaspoon freshly grated lemon zest

1/2 teaspoon salt

2 cups all-purpose flour

 $1\,\%$  cups hazelnuts, toasted and skinned and ground fine in a food processor

3 ounces semisweet chocolate (not unsweetened), ground fine in a food processor

confectioners' sugar for dusting the torte

whipped cream as an accompaniment



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#### DIRECTIONS

# **Dough Preparation**

- 1. In a small saucepan boil the jam, stirring, for 3 minutes and let it cool.
- 2. In a bowl with an electric mixer cream the butter with the granulated sugar until the mixture is light and fluffy.
- 3. Beat in the egg yolks, the cinnamon, the zest, and the salt, and beat the mixture until it is smooth.
- 4. Add the flour and beat the dough until it is just combined.
- 5. Beat in the hazelnuts and the chocolate.

### Linzer Torte Assembly

- 1. Preheat the oven to 375°F.
- 2. Press lightly more than half the dough onto the bottom and up the side of an 11-inch tart pan with a removable fluted rim.
- 3. Roll out the remaining dough between 2 sheets of wax paper into a round slightly thicker than 1/8 inch and freeze the round in the paper on a baking sheet for 15 minutes.
- 4. Spread the jam evenly on the tart shell to within <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inch of the edge.
- 5. Remove the top sheet of wax paper from the round of dough, with a pastry wheel or sharp knife cut the round into ½-inch-wide strips.
- 6. Using a long metal spatula, arrange the strips in a lattice pattern over the jam.
- 7. Trim the ends of the strips at the edge of the pan and with the remaining dough press a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-inch-thick rim over the ends of the strips.
- 8. Bake the Linzer Torte in the middle of the oven for 25 to 30 minutes, or until it is browned lightly, and let it cool in the pan on a rack.
- 9. The Linzer Torte may be made 3 days in advance and kept covered loosely and chilled.
- 10. Remove the rim of the pan, dust the edge of the Linzer Torte with the confectioners' sugar, and serve the Linzer Torte with the whipped cream.

