

Rice Can Make For A Nice Holiday Dessert

(NAPSA)—When the holidays are at your house (or you're asked to bring a dish to someone else's), you can please family and friends if you serve an elegant dessert that's also easy to make—such as RiceSelect's Coconut Rice Sweet Potato Cheesecake.

Coconut Rice Sweet Potato Cheesecake

Crust:

- Powdered sugar**
- 1½ cups graham cracker crumbs**
- 5 tablespoons butter, melted**

Filling:

- 1½ cups cooked RiceSelect Arborio (prepared with water)**
- 1 (15-oz.) can sweetened coconut milk**
- 1½ cups cooked mashed sweet potato mixed with 1 tablespoon cream**
- 3 (8-oz.) packages cream cheese**
- ¾ cup sugar**
- 4 large eggs**
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice**
- 1 teaspoon vanilla**
- 1 cup flaked coconut**
- Additional flaked coconut, toasted**

Butter a 10-inch springform pan; dust with powdered sugar. Combine crust ingredients and press in bottom and partially up sides of pan. Cover and refrigerate for 30 minutes. Preheat oven to 350° F. Using a food processor, puree cooked Arborio, sweetened coconut milk and sweet potato. Using an electric mixer, combine cream cheese and



A sweet way to celebrate the holidays is with this Coconut Rice Sweet Potato Cheesecake.

sugar until smooth. Beat in eggs one at a time. Add coconut milk mixture, lemon juice and vanilla; beat until smooth. Stir in flaked coconut. Pour into prepared pan. Place pan on baking sheet and bake until filling is set, about 1 hour and 20 minutes. Remove from oven; cool slightly. Cover and refrigerate overnight or up to 3 days. Run knife around edge to loosen; remove pan sides. Place on cake plate and sprinkle with toasted coconut.

Because it's made with Arborio premium rice from RiceSelect, it develops a creamy texture around a slightly chewy center and has an exceptional ability to absorb flavors.

Three Tips

Other party prep steps to take can include: Set a warm mood with candles—just don't put the scented kind in the dining room, as they can interfere with the taste of the food. Welcome guests with music. Fill your player with holiday tunes. And deck the halls: Drape some red and green crepe around the entry.

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