

# **JERNEJ KITCHEN**

# CREME CARAMEL (FLAN)

Creme Caramel or Flan is one of the best homemade custard recipes. Rich, creamy vanilla custard and flavorful, easy caramel. Incredibly tasty.

SERVES	8	PEOPLE
PREPARATION:	15	MINUTES
BAKE:	75	MINUTES
TOTAL TIME:	90	MINUTES

#### CARAMEL

100 g sugar (1/2 cup)

2 tbsp water

1/2 tsp lemon juice

#### CREME CARAMEL

2 eggs

4 egg yolks

100 g sugar (1/2 cup)

1 tbsp rum

250 ml heavy cream

250 ml milk

1 vanilla pod (seeds only) or 1 tsp vanilla essence

#### TOOLS AND EQUIPEMENT

saucepan

baking dish (approx. 20 cm x 10 cm and 7 cm height or 8inch x 4-inch x 3-inch height) bowl whisk sieve larger baking dish cling film

#### MAKE THE CARAMEL

Preheat your oven to 160 °C / 320 °F. Make the caramel. Add sugar, water and lemon juice to a saucepan. Place over medium-low heat and cook until the sugar dissolves into a beautiful, golden-brown caramel. It will take about 3 - 5 minutes. Don't stir, but keep an eye on it. Pour the caramel into a small baking dish (approx. 20 cm x 10 cm and 7 cm height or 8-inch x 4-inch x 3-inch height) Set aside for the caramel to set, approximately 10 - 15 minutes. The caramel has to harden.

## VANILLA CREAM (CREME CARAMEL)

Make the vanilla cream. In a bowl beat the eggs, egg yolks, sugar, pinch of salt, and rum using a hand whisk. Bring heavy cream, milk, and vanilla seeds to a boil in a saucepan. While beating the eggs, pour the heavy cream mixture over the egg mixture in a bowl. Whisk well to get a smooth texture. Strain the mixture through the sieve and pour over the hard caramel in a baking dish. Transfer the baking dish with the creme

Sponsored caramel to a large, deep baking pan and place in the preheated oven on the middle rack. Pour hot, boiling water into the larger

baking dish until it comes one-half of the way up the side of the smaller baking dish (make sure not to splash water into the cream caramel). Bake for 1 hour and 15 minutes at 160 °C / 320 °F.

# PLACE IN THE FRIDGE

Remove the baked flan with the larger baking dish from the oven. Leave the baked flan to set in the water bath until it comes to room temperature. Then cover the creme caramel with cling film and place in the fridge for at least 8 - 12 hours

to set and cool completely.

## SERVE

Remove the creme caramel from the fridge. Run a small, sharp knife around the edge of the baking dish to loosen the custard. Place a serving plate on top of the custard and quickly invert it onto a plate. Cut on slices and serve.

#### TIP

For easier removal of the custard, dip the baking dish one-half of the way up the side with the creme caramel in hot boiling water for 10 seconds. Be careful not to splash water into the custard. This way it will be easier to invert it one a plate. You can use a blow torch as well.