

Persian Love Cake

- 3 cups of almond meal
- Almost 1 cup of raw sugar
- Almost 1 cup of brown sugar
- 1 tsp of salt
- 120g softened, unsalted butter
- 2 eggs lightly beaten
- 200g Greek style yoghurt
- 1 heaped tsp ground nutmeg
- 1 tsp ground cinnamon
- Grated rind of 1 lemon
- 1 tbsp honey
- 2 tsp rose water
- 1 tsp almond essence
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- Pistachio nuts for decoration
 - 1. Line a 22cm cake tin with baking paper and preheat oven to 180 degrees Celsius
 - 2. Combine almond meal, sugars, salt and butter in a large bowl and rub with fingertips until mixture resembles wet sand
 - 3. Divide the mixture in half, pressing one half of the crumbs into the base of the prepared cake tin firmly
 - 4. To the remaining half of the mixture, add all other ingredients and mix with a wooden spoon until smooth and creamy
 - 5. Pour over base, then sprinkle the cake's border with pistachios
 - 6. Bake for approx. 50 minutes or until just firm and nicely browned.