#### KEY LIME PIE IN A JAR

## Graham Cracker Crust Layer

½ cup graham cracker crumbs—4 full sheets

1 1/2 tablespoons granulated sugar

Pinch salt

2 tablespoons unsalted butter melted

#### Filling

1 - 14- ounce can sweetened condensed milk

Zest of one lime

1 egg yolk (I used an extra-large egg)

6 tablespoons Key lime juice\* (I use Nellie & Joes Famous Key West Lime Juice)

1/4 cup sour cream (60 grams)

\*12-16 Key limes = 1/2 cup juice

## **Topping**

Whipped cream: purchased or Stabilized Whipped Cream (See recipe below)

#### Also Needed

Four half-pint 8-ounce mason jars Four canning lids and rings Baking sheet

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
- 2. Combine graham crackers, sugar, salt, and melted butter in medium bowl. Stir with a fork until well incorporated. Spoon graham cracker crumb mixture into each of the four jars, dividing evenly among the jars. Press loosely into the bottom and up the sides; avoid compacting too firmly in the bottom of the jar as you would with a normal graham cracker crust. Place jars on a baking sheet or in a shallow pan and bake for 8 minutes. Cool
- 3. Combine sweetened condensed milk, lime juice, lime zest, sour cream, and egg yolk in a medium bowl. With a hand mixer, beat on medium-high until well-incorporated, about 1-2 minutes; scrape sides of bowl as needed.
- 4. Divide the mixture evenly over the graham cracker crust after jars have cooled.
- 5. Bake for about 15 minutes or until filling only jiggles a bit in the center when you gently shake the jar back & forth a bit. Don't allow filling to brown!
- 6. Let cool completely, then cover with lids and bands and refrigerate for at least 2 hours. Store for up to 3 days in the refrigerator.

7. Just before serving, top with whipped cream; add a lime slice, lime zest or other garnish of your choice.

# STABILIZED WHIPPED CREAM USING INSTANT CLEAR JEL

1/4 cup (30 grams) powdered sugar

1 teaspoon Instant Clear Jel or 4 teaspoons EZ Gel (Make sure the instant clear jel is INSTANT.)

1 cup Heavy Whipping Cream

3/4 -1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract

## Instructions

- 1. Whisk the powdered sugar and Instant Clear Jel together. (Instant Clear Jel must always be whisked with dry ingredients before adding to liquid to avoid clumping).
- 2. Using a whip attachment and a stand mixer or handheld mixer, whip the heavy cream and pure vanilla until stiff peaks form.
- 3. Turn the mixer on low, and slowly add in the powdered sugar/ Instant Clear J el mixture until incorporated.
- Keep refrigerated.

If you would like to make a 9-inch pie, triple the graham cracker crust recipe and double the filling recipe. Increase baking time to 15-20 minutes.

Inspiration Recipes

Key Lime Pie in a Jar: https://www.kitchentreaty.com/key-lime-pie-in-a-jar/

Prize Winning Key Lime Pie: https://soufflebombay.com/prize-winning-key-lime-pierecipe/