the french tarte the sweet taste of france

GARNITURE AUX GRIOTTES/SOUR CHERRY FILLING OR SAUCE

Make approximately 2 cups. Great for cherry turnovers and free form puff pastry tarts. Also good as a sauce over ice cream or a topping from cheesecake or baked custards.

- $280 \text{ g} / \sim 2 \text{ cups pitted sour cherries}$
- 75 g / \sim 1/3 cup granulated cane sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon ground coriander
- a few grates of nutmeg
- pinch of salt
- 30 ml / 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 8 g / 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1. Place pitted cherries, sugar, coriander, nutmeg and salt in a medium saucepan over low heat to dissolve the sugar then increase to medium heat and bring to a boil.
- 2. In a small bowl blend the lemon juice and cornstarch and stir it into the cherry mixture. Cook for several minutes to thicken.
- 3. Blend in vanilla extract.
- 4. Pour the hot mixture in a layer onto a 1/4 sheet pan and let cool to room temperature. Use a desired or place in a covered container in the fridge for 4-5 days.

The filling should cool completely before using in turnovers.

For ice cream use warm or cool or warm slightly if coming out of the fridge.