

Aged Care Nutrition Advisory Service (ACNAS) • another NAQ Nutrition program

Ingredients

	4 SERVES	24 SERVES	48 SERVES
Full cream milk	600ml	3.6 L	7.2 L
Caster sugar	90g	550g	1kg
Semolina	65g	390g	780g
Cinnamon, ground	½ tsp	1 tbs	2 tbs
Cardamom, ground	¼ tsp	1.5 tsp	1 tbs
Sultanas	100g	600g	1.2kg
Flaked almonds	50g	300g	600g
Plain/vanilla yoghurt, plus extra to serve	50ml	300ml	600ml

Serves 4, 24 or 48



Tip: try toasting the nuts in a small frying pan instead of using the oven

Method

- 1. Preheat oven to 180°C and line a tray with baking paper.
- 2. In a large saucepan add milk, sugar, semolina, cinnamon and cardamom over medium-high heat and bring to a simmer. Reduce heat to low, add the sultanas and cook uncovered for 15-20 minutes, stirring regularly, until the mixture thickens slightly (longer time may be required for larger serves).
- 3. Spread the flaked almonds over the prepared baking tray and bake in preheated oven for 3-5 minutes or until lightly golden watch closely and be careful not to burn them.
- 4. Add the yoghurt and half the flaked almonds to the semolina mixture, stir to combine.
- 5. Divide the mixture amongst serving bowls, serve with an additional spoon of vanilla yoghurt and sprinkle the remaining flaked almonds on top.

Nutrition, hints and tips

- Semolina is a form of ground durum wheat and has a fine but slightly gritty texture. It is ideal when used for desserts or sweet mid meals but can also be served as a savoury side dish with hot meals such as ragù or casseroles.
- This recipe provides a source of protein, calcium, Vitamin C, carbohydrates and fibre making it a nourishing dessert option.

- Top with yoghurt, custard or cream.
- Try serving with additional soft fruit such as tinned peaches and pears, sliced banana or mango.
- Omit the toasted almonds and sultanas for residents requiring Soft, Minced Moist or Smooth Pureed diets.
- Check with your Speech Pathologist before serving semolina or polenta to residents with swallowing issues as the grains can gelatinize or 'firm up' overtime.



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