

## CHERRY PIE

pie crust:

- 2 cups AP flour (or gf AP flour)
- 1 cup cold butter *it must be cold

- 2 tbsp. sugar (l've used both coconut sugar, regular sugar, and monk fruit snd they all work!)
- 1 tsp. salt
- cup of ice-cold water set aside (how cold? ICE COLD!)
pie filling:
- 3 bags frozen cherries
- $1 / 3$ cup arrowroot powder (or $1 / 4$ cup cornstarch)
- $3 / 4$ cup sugar (I used monk fruit! a mixture of sugar and monk fruit works well too!)
- $1 / 4$ tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract
- 1 tbsp. lemon juice
egg wash:
- 1 egg
- splash of milk


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## for the crust:

1. in a large mixing bowl, whisk flour, sugar, and salt. cut cold butter into small cubes and add to bowl, using your hands to combine the ingredients together. (if you have a Kitchen Aid more power to ya here)
2. next, begin forming the dough into a ball using your hands, occasionally adding 1 tablespoon of cold water until the dough is formed. (it's okay if you see some chunks of butter! that's how it'll get nice and flaky)
3. transfer dough to a bowl and cover with plastic wrap and let chill in the refrigerator for 1 hour. (or simply wrap dough in plastic wrap)
for the filling:
4. add cherries to a large pot on medium-high heat
5. when the cherries have defrosted and begun to simmer, lower the heat to medium and add the lemon juice, sugar, and salt. stir to combine
6. create a slurry by whisking the arrowroot powder with an equal amount of room temperature water. add to the cherries and stir to combine
7. continue cooking the cherries on medium heat until the filling has thickened, stirring occasionally. about 10 minutes
8. once the filling has thickened, transfer to a bowl and cool to room temperature
for the pie:
9. preheat oven to $375^{\circ} \mathrm{f}$. using a rolling pin, roll out the pie dough onto a floured surface until dough is $1 / 4$ inch thick (Ifind that a large wooden cutting board or butcher block works best)
10. carefully place your pie dish on your dough and trace around with a knife, leaving about 1 inch or 2 of space so that you have enough dough for the sides
11. place the dough into your pie dish and carefully press the dough into the corners (do not stretch the dough)
12. combine the rest of the dough into a ball and roll out again onto your floured surface. using a knife (or a pizza cutter) cut the dough into 1 -inch strips
13. add the cherry filling to the pie dish. create a lattice using the strips of dough. pinch the edges down. whisk together egg and a splash of milk and brush over the crust
14. transfer pie to the middle rack in your oven and bake for 1 hour. I recommend checking on the pie after 40 minutes to see how it looks (crust should be golden brown)
7.let pie completely set (overnight is best!!). serve \& enjoy!!!
