Gluten Free Thursday: Lemon Curd And Ricotta Cake

Ingredients:

Difficulty: Easy

(serves 8-10, use springform - or any other - cake pan that is 26 cm in diameter)

For lemon curd (you can do this a few days ahead and keep it in a closed jar in the fridge):

I 1/4 dl (or 1/2 cup) lemon juice - from about 4 lemons

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200 gr. (or 2.5 dl or I cup) granulated white sugar

3 eggs

pinch of salt

I tsp cornstarch

100 gr. butter cut in cubes

(you can double the amount of lemon curd and use the extra for serving)

For cake:

butter to grease the pan

750 gr. ricotta cheese

250 gr. cream cheese

200 gr. (or 2.5 dl or I cup) granulated white sugar

6 eggs

120 gr. (or 2 dl or 3/4 cup plus 4 tsp) poppy seeds

400 gr. lemon curd

400 gr. (I can) condensed milk

Instructions:

- I. First make the lemon curd. Follow the instructions on Rachel Khoo's website for this: http://www.rachelkhoo.com/recipe/recipe-lemon-curd-plus-video. You can make the lemon curd a few days, even a week ahead.
- 2. Preheat the oven to 180C. Grease a 26 cm springform pan and cover the base with a baking paper.
- 3. In a mixing bowl, put ricotta and cream cheese and beat in medium high speed until smooth.
- 4. Add sugar and continue beating until well mixed.
- 5. Add eggs, one at a time. After each egg, beat it well. At the end, or in the between eggs, scrape the sides of the bowl with a spatula if needed.
- 6. Add poppy seeds, lemon curd and condensed milk and beat until all ingredients are well mixed.
- 7. Pour the mixture into the pan. Tap the pan gently on the counter a few times to release any air bubbles. Bake in the oven for 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 hours. The edge of the cake must be baked but the middle can be still wobbly. When baked, take out of the oven and let it cool for a couple of hours at least, before removing from the pan. Serve with extra lemon curd if you want / if you made more. Enjoy!