Perfect Vanilla Soufflé Recipe

Prep Time: 30 minutes Cook Time: 15 minutes

Serving Size: 4

Ingredients

30ml softened unsalted butter

30ml all-purpose flour

• 250ml milk, hot

5ml pure vanilla extract

• 60ml sugar

4 eggs, medium-sized, separated

Pinch salt

Confectioners' sugar, to serve

Additional butter and sugar to prepare the ramekins



1. PREPARE RAMEKINS

Coat the ramekins with softened unsalted butter.
 Brush from bottom upwards. This will make the soufflé to rise evenly.
 Then, coat the ramekins with sugar. And shake out any excess; set aside.

2. BECHAMEL SAUCE (white sauce)

- Over medium heat, add butter in the sauce pan and melt it.
 Add in the flour and cook for 1 minute stirring with a wooden spoon.
 This is white roux.
- Remove the pan from the heat, gradually (SLOWLY) add hot milk, and stir until smooth and combined.

Put back to medium heat - stir constantly until it comes to a boil.

The sauce should form ribbons. This is white sauce. Remove from the heat.

- Add in salt and vanilla extract and stir until combined.
- The sauce pan is still warm, so pour the sauce into a separate bowl to prevent unwanted evaporation.
- Separate the eggs and add in the egg yolks into your white sauce one by one and stir to combine.
 Set Aside



3. MAKE MERINGUE

 Whisk egg whites in your electric mixer. Keep whisking until firm peaks form. Gradually add sugar while slowly whisking.

Keep whisking until soft peaks form.

4. COMBINE

 Add about one third of the meringue into the white sauce and whisk until just combined and all one color.

Then, pour all white sauce into meringue and whisk until just combined. Be careful not to crush the delicate meringue.

5. BAKE

Spoon the mixture into ramekins.

Run thumb around inside of rim. This will help the soufflé to rise straight.

Bake in the oven preheated to 375° F. for 12 to 15 minutes, or until well risen.

6. SERVE

• Place on a plate because ramekins are very hot. Dust with confectioners' sugar and serve immediately out of oven.