

Vegan Macadamia Nut and Herb Crusted Swiss Cheese Balls

Yummy is all we can say. Upgrade your holiday cheese boards with a tangy nutty swiss cheese ball this year.

For the cheese: 2 cups macadamia nuts 1¹/₂ cups nutritional yeast 1¹/₂ cups water 3¹/₄ cup melted refined coconut oil 5 tablespoons lemon juice 4 tablespoons sugar 1 teaspoon salt 1 tablespoon tapioca starch 1 tablespoon miso paste 1 teaspoon onion powder

1 teaspoon garlic powder

- 1 teaspoon white pepper
- 1 tablespoon agar-agar

For the crust:

1 cup @FarmFreshNuts chopped macadamia nuts

 $^{1\!\!/_3}$ cup finely chopped fresh herbs such as parsley, dill, basil, thyme, sage, and rosemary 1 teaspoon coarse salt

1 teaspoon coarse black pepper

What you do:

For the cheese, into a high-speed blender add macadamia nuts, nutritional yeast, water, coconut oil, lemon juice, sugar, salt, tapioca starch, miso, onion powder, garlic powder, and white pepper, and blend until smooth.

Into a medium pot over medium heat, pour mixture. Stir in agar agar, constantly stirring for 5 minutes or until bubbling.

Remove from heat after 1 to 2 minutes, place in a sealed container and place in refrigerator to cool for at least a few hours or overnight.

Once cooled, use an ice cream scooper or a spoon to scoop out $\frac{1}{3}$ cup of cheese and roll into a ball.

For crust, in a wide bowl or on a plate, add all ingredients, stir, and roll cheese balls until evenly coated. Place back in refrigerator until ready to serve.