CREAM CHEESE LEMONADE PIE

Ingredients:

For the Filling:

- 1 can (5 oz) evaporated milk
- 1 small box (3.4 oz) instant lemon pudding mix
- 2 packages (8 oz each) cream cheese, softened
- 3/4 cup frozen lemonade concentrate, thawed

For the Crust:

- 2 1/2 cups crushed vanilla wafers or shortbread cookies
- 1/3 cup granulated sugar
- 2/3 cup unsalted butter, melted
- Alternatively, you can use a pre-made 9-inch graham cracker crust

Directions:

1. Preheat the oven to 350°F (175°C).

For the Crust:

- 2. In a medium mixing bowl, combine the crushed vanilla wafers or shortbread cookies with the granulated sugar and melted butter. Mix until well combined.
- 3. Press the crust mixture into the bottom and up the sides of a deep-dish pie dish.
- 4. Bake the crust for 10-12 minutes, then remove from the oven and let it cool completely.

For the Filling:

- 5. In a small mixing bowl, combine the evaporated milk and instant lemon pudding mix. Beat on low speed for 2 minutes until thickened.
- 6. In a medium mixing bowl, beat the softened cream cheese until light and fluffy, about 3 minutes.
- 7. Gradually beat in the thawed frozen lemonade concentrate until well combined.
- 8. Gradually beat in the prepared pudding mixture until smooth and creamy.
- 9. Pour the filling into the cooled crust or pre-made graham cracker crust.
- 10. Cover the pie and refrigerate for at least 4 hours, or until set.