Recipe: Kahk el Eid

Ingredients: For the Cookies	Ingredients: For the Filli
3 cups flour	1 tablespoon ghee or butte
a dash of salt	1 tablespoon flour
1 tablespoon granulated sugar	1 teaspoon sesame seeds
½ teaspoon cinnamon	1/4 cup honey
3 tablespoons toasted sesame seeds (optional)	½ cup coarsely ground pis
½ teaspoon dry yeast	½ teaspoon dry yeast
1 cup ghee, room temperature and not melted	1 cup ghee, room tempera
cup warm water	cup warm water
Powdered sugar	Powdered sugar

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Directions:

- 1. In the bowl of an electric mixer, mix flour, salt, sugar, yeast, cinnamon, and sesame seeds together.
- 2. Add the ghee and mix until completely incorporated.
- 3. Add water and mix until the dough comes together.
- 4. Cover and let rest for an hour.
- In the meantime, prepare the filling. In a small saucepan over medium heat, add the 1 tablespoon ghee and melt. Add flour and mix until flour turns golden.
- 6. Remove from heat and add sesame seeds and honey. Mix well, returning to low heat until the mixture thickens.
- 7. Remove again from heat and mix in pistachios. Let cool for 10 minutes.
- 8. Form into small balls, about 20 total.
- 9. After the dough has rested for an hour, preheat oven to 350 degrees.
- 10. Divide the dough equally into 20 balls.
- 11. Take a ball of dough into your hands and flatten slightly, making an imprint in the center with your thumb.
- 12. Place a ball of pistachio filling in the center of the dough circle, closing the dough around the filling to form a ball.
- 13. Place cookie on parchment-lined cookie sheet. Repeat until all the cookies are formed. Use the tines of a fork to make an imprint on the tops of the cookies.
- 14. Bake in preheated oven for 20-25 minutes or until the bottom is golden brown.
- 15. Remove to cool on a wire rack. Sift powdered sugar on top when fully cooled.

