Roasted Pumpkin Wedges, Spiced Coconut Butter

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INGREDIENTS

For the pumpkin wedges:

- A quarter of a delica or iron bark pumpkin
- 15ml coconut sugar, or maple syrup
- Olive oil
- 2ml Ground nutmeg
- 2ml ground cinnamon
- Salt & pepper
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For the spiced coconut butter:

- 100ml coconut oil
- 5ml ground turmeric
- 2ml mustard seeds
- 2ml cumin seeds
- 2ml black pepper
- 2ml ground ginger
- A few fresh curry leaves if you can find them, about 1 stalk

METHOD

- 1. Preheat the oven to 180°C, line a roasting tray with parchment paper
- 2. Cut the pumpkin into wedges, and place them on the lined roasting tray.
- 3. Drizzle the pumpkin liberally with olive oil, then sprinkle over the coconut sugar or maple, the spices and season with salt and pepper.
- 4. Roast the pumpkin for around 20-13 minutes, until caramelised and soft.
- 5. Whilst the pumpkin is roasting, put the coconut oil and spices into a small sauce pan on a medium heat.
- 6.Gently heat the coconut oil and infuse the spices, for around 5 minutes. Be careful not to over do it, the spices will burn and go bitter.
- 7. Once the pumpkin is roasted, present them on a platter or plate and drizzle the spiced coconut butter over the pumpkin. Serve whilst warm.

CHEF'S TIP:

Any leftovers (or you can double the recipe up for a batch cook!) can be blitzed together with some water to make a delicious nourishing soup!

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