Beetroot mousse with parmesan dukkah wafers

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Ingredients for dukkah

- ½ cup peanuts, toasted and finely chopped (Peanut Van)
- ¼ cup sesame seeds, toasted
- 2 tbsp coriander seeds
- 1 tbsp cumin seeds
- 2 tsp nigella seeds
- 1 tsp sumac, ground
- 1 tsp black pepper, ground
- 1 tsp seas alt flakes

Ingredients for beetroot mousse

- 250g beetroot, baked whole
- 1 tbsp harissa paste (Chinchilli)
- 1 small lime, juiced
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 2 gelatine leaves
- 150g cream, whipped
- 50g crème fraiche
- 25g radish, diced
- 1tbsp dill, finely chopped
- 50g parmesan, finely grated
- 25g peanut dukkah
- 30 ml extra virgin avocado oil (Proteco)
- 12capers (Bunya Red Farm)

Method for peanut dukkah

- 1. Combine peanuts and sesame seeds in a bowl.
- 2. In a hot dry pan, toast coriander, cumin, nigella, sumac and pepper to release oils and aromatics, then add to mortar.
- 3. Once mixture in mortar has cooled, grind to a course powder with a pestle.
- 4. Add the toasted nuts and salt.

Method for beetroot mousse

- 1. Purée the beetroot in a blender until very smooth.
- 2. Add harissa paste, lime juice, blend until combined and then season with salt and pepper.
- 3. Soak gelatine leaves in cold water until softened; drain out water and then gently warm gelatine leaves until it melt.
- 4. Whisk meted gelatine through beetroot mixture, the carefully fold through whipped cream.
- 5. Refrigerate until set.
- 6. Combine the crème fraîche and radish, and then stir in the dill.
- 7. To make parmesan wafers, sprinkle teaspoons of cheese into bases of a mini muffin. Bake for 7-9 minutes or until melted and golden. Cool 5 minutes.
- 8. Present ingredients on a plate and drizzle with avocado oil.

