preparation: 30 minutes
bake: 50 minutes
oven: 375 degrees F .

Ingredients:

prepare a double-pie crust
6 cups thinly sliced, peeled cooking apples (about $21 / 4$ pounds)
1 tablespoon lemon juice (optional)
$3 / 4$ cup sugar
2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
$1 / 2$ teaspoon ground cinnamon
$1 / 8$ teaspoon ground nutmeg
$1 / 2$ cup chopped walnuts or pecans

## Directions

I. Prepare and roll out pastry for double pie crust. Line a 9-inch pie plate with half of the pastry.
II. If desired, sprinkle apples with lemon juice. In a large mixing bowl stir together sugar, flour, cinnamon, and nutmeg. Add apple slices and, if desired, nuts. Gently toss until coated.
III. Transfer apple mixture to the pastry-lined pie plate. Trim pastry to edge of pie plate. Cut slits in remaining pastry; place on top of filling and seal. Crimp edge as desired.
IV. To prevent over-browning, cover edge of pie with foil. Bake in a 375 degree F. oven for 25 minutes. Remove foil. Bake for 25-30 minutes more or until top is golden. Cool on a wire rack. Makes 8 servings.

