Strawberry-Buttermilk Ice Cream

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1 lb. strawberries, coarsely chopped

1 1/4 c half-and-half

3/4 c buttermilk

1/3 c sugar

2 tbsp mild honey

2 tsp balsamic vinegar

1/4 tsp xanthan gum powder, optional

Puree strawberries in food processor or blender until smooth.

Strain through fine strainer into large bowl, pressing with rubber spatula to extract all of the pulp (there should be 2 cups).

Whisk in half-and-half, buttermilk, sugar, honey, balsamic vinegar, and xanthan gum until blended and smooth.

Refrigerate 30 minutes or overnight until chilled. (The mixture should be about 35 - 40°F before placing in ice cream maker.)

Freeze in ice cream maker according to manufacturer's directions.

Serve immediately or freeze in covered container for up to 2 hours. (Ice cream can be stored in freezer for up to 1 week but it will become very hard. To soften before serving, cut into chunks and pulse in food processor until smooth and creamy.)