Chocolate Salami — SCRAPS by Carolina Gelen

Serves 10 to 12 | Prep Time: 5 minutes | Cook Time: 5 minutes | Chill Time: 2 hours

- 2 tablespoons (30 g) unsalted butter
- 1/2 cup (100 g) heavy cream
- 1/4 cup (50 g) granulated sugar, plus more to taste
- 1/4 cup (25 g) cocoa powder, sifted
- 3.5 ounces (100 g) dark chocolate
- 1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
- 2 tablespoons rum, optional
- 5 ounces (138 g) graham crackers or digestive cookies
- A handful of pistachios or any other nuts of choice, optional
- Powdered sugar, for topping

- 1. In a 2 to 3-qt pot over medium heat, combine the butter, cream, sugar, salt and cocoa powder. Bring to a simmer, then remove off the heat and add in the chocolate an rum (if using). The residual heat will melt the chocolate. Whisk to incorporate.
- 2. Roughly crush the cookies or crackers until you're left with mostly bite-size chunks and finer crumbs. Add them to the chocolate mixture and stir to combine. Add the nuts (if using) and mix until incorporated.
- 3. Lay a long piece of plastic wrap on your work surface. Dump the chocolate mixture in the middle of it. The goal here is to shape the mixture into a log: pull one side of the plastic wrap over the chocolate mixture, it will cover it half to 3/4 of the way through. Pull the parallel side over the mixture and you should have a chocolate tube formed. Twist both ends of the tube.
- 4. Cover with a second layer of plastic wrap to ensure the chocolate mixture stays in. Twist the ends again. Tighten the twist for a better log-shape.
- 5. Place in the fridge and chill until hard to the touch, for at least 2 hours.
- 6. Slice and chill at room temperature for 15 minutes before serving, for a softer, fudgier texture.