



# Compressed cucumber with salted fish brandade, wild herbs

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40 minutes

Preparation time

30 minutes

Cooking time

24 fingers

Serves

## **INGREDIENTS**

#### Fish brandade

250 g flathead fillets
50 g salt
2 tablespoons chopped
parsley (approximately 2
sprigs, picked)
100 g Desiree potatoes
2 cloves garlic
½ cup extra virgin olive oil
½ lemon, juice and zest
Sea salt to taste

# **Compressed cucumber**

12 baby cucumbers, sliced in half lengthways1 lime, juice and zest10 g salt

½ cup mixed herbs (chive batons, parsley, baby radish leaves, baby sorrel)

#### **Miele Accessories**

Vacuum sealing bags Steam tray

### **METHOD**

### Fish brandade

- 1. Place the flathead fillets in a large vacuum seal bag and cover the fish with salt. Place in the Vacuum Sealing Drawer and seal on level 3 and vacuum on level 3.
- 2. Set aside in the refrigerator. Alternatively, cover the fish with salt in a container and place in the refrigerator.
- 3. Roughly chop the potatoes into 1-inch pieces. Place the garlic and the potatoes on a perforated steam container and steam at 100°C for 20 minutes.
- 4. Push the cooked potato and garlic through a potato ricer, cover with cling wrap and set aside.
- 5. Wash the salt off the fish and pat dry with paper towel. Place the fish in a solid steam tray and steam at 85°C for 5-7 minutes, depending on thickness.
- 6. Remove the fish from the tray, and place into a stainless steel bowl, flake with a fork. Add the mashed potato, olive oil a little at a time and then add the parsley.
- 7. Mix to combine and season with lemon juice and more olive oil if required. Season with salt to taste and set aside in the refrigerator.

# **Compressed cucumber**

- 1. Place the cucumbers in one layer in a vacuum bag.
- 2. Mix the lime juice, zest, salt and place into the bag with the cucumbers.
- 3. Place in the Vacuum Sealing Drawer and seal on level 3 and vacuum on level 3. Leave in the bag anywhere from 30 minutes up to 24 hours. The longer left in the bag, the more intense flavour.

## To serve

1. Place some of the fish mixture on top of each finger, and then garnish with herbs.