



# Smoked trout, caviar, soured cream tart

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1 hour

Preparation time

5 hours 15 minutes

Cooking time

12 serves

Serves

# **INGREDIENTS**

1 sheet butter puff pastry
1 whole smoked rainbow trout, skin
and bones removed, lightly
shredded
2 tablespoons crème fraiche
2 tablespoons salmon roe
Micro herbs & flowers to garnish

### Crème fraiche

600ml thickened cream (35%) 2 tablespoon cultured buttermilk

#### **METHOD**

### Crème fraiche

- 1. Pour cream and buttermilk into a jug and stir until fully combined.
- 2. Divide mixture into 4 x 125ml sterilised glass jars. Cover with jar lids until finger tight.
- 3. Place jars in a Perforated steam tray. Steam at 40°C for 5 hours.
- 4. Allow the crème fraiche to set in the refrigerator overnight.

#### Soured cream tart

- 1. Cut the puff pastry into approximately 4x4cm squares. Cut out 12 pieces and place onto a baking paper lined baking tray.
- 2. Place in the refrigerator to chill for 15 minutes. Pre-heat the oven on Fan Plus 190°C.
- 3. Place another sheet of baking paper on top of pastry and top with another baking tray to weigh down the pastry.
- 4. Bake in the oven on shelf position 2 for 10 minutes and then remove the top tray and paper. Return to the oven and bake for a further 3-5 minutes until the pastry is a golden and crisp.
- 5. Allow pastry to cool at room temperature.

### To serve

1. Top pastry squares with half a teaspoon of crème fraiche followed by a piece of trout. Garnish with salmon roe, soft herbs and flowers.

## **Notes**

- Live yoghurt can be substituted for cultured buttermilk to start the fermentation in the crème fraiche.
- Placing another Baking tray on top of the pastry prevents the puff from rising too much and provides a crisper result.
- Smoked trout can be substituted with hot smoked salmon, mackerel or other oily fish.