

INGREDIENTS

Christmas pudding

110 g (¾ cups) plain flour 1/2 tsp mixed spice 70 g (¾ cup) fine breadcrumbs 70 g butter, melted plus extra for greasing 70 g (? cup firmly packed) brown sugar 2 tbsp blanched almonds, roughly chopped 70 g (1/4 cup) raisins 70 g (¼ cup) currants 70 g (1/4 cup) sultanas 1 tbsp glace cherries 1 tbsp mixed candied peel 1 small apple, peeled and grated 1/2 lemon, zested 1/2 orange, zest and juice 2 eggs, beaten 10g (2 tsp) black treacle 80 ml (? cup) brandy or rum



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20 minutes, plus resting overnight Preparation time

3 hours, plus 1 hour 30 minutes reheating time Cooking time

6-8 servings Serves

Crème anglaise

300 ml thickened cream 250 ml full cream milk 2 eggs 100 g caster sugar

Miele accessories Unperforated steam container

METHOD

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- 1. Sift the flour and spices into a large bowl. Stir in the breadcrumbs, melted butter, brown sugar and almonds.
- 2. Add the fruit, zest and juice. Make a well in the centre and add the beaten egg and treacle. Combine thoroughly; gradually adding the brandy, mixing until a smooth dropping consistency is obtained.
- 3. Cover the bowl and leave to stand overnight in the fridge.
- 4. The following day lightly butter a 900 ml pudding bowl and fill with the mixture, packing it down firmly. Cover the top of the bowl with baking paper and secure the pudding lid.
- 5. Place the bowl on a rack and Steam at 100°C for 3 hours.
- 6. After steaming, replace the baking paper with fresh paper and place the lid back on. Store in the fridge until required.

Crème anglaise

- 1. Place all ingredients into a mixing bowl or blender and blend until the sugar has dissolved.
- 2. Pour the custard mixture into an unperforated steam container, cover with cling wrap or foil.
- 3. Place into the steam oven and Steam at 85°C for 1 hour.
- 4. Remove from the steam oven and allow to sit for 5 minutes. Whisk the custard well before using.

To serve

- 1. Steam at 100°C for approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes to reheat the pudding.
- 2. Unmould the pudding and serve on a platter warm with crème anglaise sauce, if desired.

Hints and tips

- Store the sealed pudding in the fridge until ready to serve.
- Puddings can be made 1-2 months in advance, to ease the burden in the kitchen.