



## Osterzopf (German Easter bread)

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20 minutes plus proving time

Preparation time

35 minutes

Cooking time

12

Serves

## **INGREDIENTS**

500 g Baker's flour (high protein flour) 2 tsp (7 g) dried yeast

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1 tsp salt flakes

2 tbsp caster sugar

250 ml (1 cup) warm milk

(approximately 37°C)

75 g butter, melted

2 eggs

1 lemon, zested

80 g raisins or sultanas, optional

1 tbsp milk, extra

30 g raw sugar, optional

## **METHOD**

- 1. Sift the flour, yeast, salt and sugar into the bowl of a freestanding mixer with the dough hook attachment.
- 2. Roughly combine the warm milk and butter into the flour mixture.
- 3. Mix on low speed for 3 minutes or until well combined. Add one egg and lemon zest. Mix on medium speed for 8 minutes or until dough is smooth.
- 4. Fold through the raisins or sultanas, if using.
- 5. Place the dough into the oven on Prove yeast dough for 45 minutes or until the dough has doubled in sized.
- 6. Turn the dough onto a lightly floured bench. Divide the dough into 3 even pieces and roll each piece into a 45 cm log. Plait the bread, pinch ends together and tuck the ends under the bread.
- 7. Lightly dust a baking tray and place the braid onto the tray.
- 8. Place into the oven and prove for an additional 30 minutes or until almost doubled in sized.
- 9. Change the oven function to Moisture Plus with Fan Plus at 180°C with one manual burst of steam.
- 10. Mix the remaining egg with the extra milk with a pinch of salt and sugar. Brush the egg wash gently over the dough and sprinkle with the raw sugar, if using.
- 11. Place the bread into the oven on shelf level 2 and release the burst of steam immediately. Bake for 15 minutes and then reduce the oven temperature to 160°C and bake for an additional 20 minutes, or until cooked through.

## Hints and tips

• This recipe can be baked using the Automatic Programme: Bread / sweet bread.