



Focaccia

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24 hours, including proving time

Preparation Time

25-30 minutes

Cooking Time

4-6

Serves

INGREDIENTS

500g bakers flour 15g salt flakes 4g dry yeast 325ml water ½ cup extra virgin olive oil

Suggested toppings

Seedless grapes and rosemary Sliced pitted green olives, rosemary and pistachio Sliced pitted kalamata olives, orange zest and fetta

METHOD

- 1. In a large bowl, combine flour, salt and yeast. Add 20mls olive oil and water and mix with hands or a wooden spoon until no dry flour remains.
- 2. Cover the bowl with plastic wrap and leave to prove for 12-24 hours at room temperature.
- 3. Sprinkle the top of the dough lightly with flour, then transfer it to a lightly-floured bench. Form into a rough circle approximately 2 cm thick.
- 4. Pour remaining olive oil in the bottom of a 27 cm round baking tray. Transfer dough to the baking tray, turn to coat in oil.
- 5. Using your fingers, press the dough around the tray, flattening it slightly and spreading oil around the bottom and edges of the dough.
- 6. Press your chosen toppings onto the surface of the dough, using your fingers to press into the dough. Let the dough stand at room temperature for 1 hour.
- 7. When the dough has proved, press down slightly again to create dimples in the surface of the dough.
- 8. Position a baking and roasting rack on shelf position 2. Pre-heat the oven on Moisture Plus at 190°C with 2 bursts of steam.

Place the baking tray into the oven and bake for 25-30 minutes, releasing the bursts of steam as follows:

First burst of steam: immediately.

Second burst of steam: After 10 minutes.

The focaccia is ready when crisp and golden and sounds hollow when tapped.

9. Turn out carefully onto a cooling rack; allow to cool slightly before serving.