



Fruit Mince Pies

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20 minutes plus soaking time

Preparation time

25 minutes

Cooking time

Makes 24

Serves

INGREDIENTS

Fruit mince

500 g Granny Smith apples, grated

375 g raisins, chopped

250 g mixed peel

250 g currants

250 g butter, melted

375 g brown sugar

1 orange, zested and juiced

1 lemon, zested and juiced

1 tsp ground nutmeg

2 tsp mixed spice

150 ml brandy or rum

Tart pastry

350 g self-raising flour

120 g unsalted butter, cold and cut into

small cubes

1/2 tsp salt flakes

1 egg yolk

100-150 ml iced water (approximately)

METHOD

Fruit mince

- 1. Combine all ingredients in a container or large bowl.
- 2. Cover well and place in the refrigerator. Stir every few days.

Pastry

- 1. Place flour, butter and salt into a food processor and pulse until it resembles fine breadcrumbs. Add egg yolk and gradually add water, pulse until it forms a dough.
- 2. Press dough into a disc shape and wrap in cling wrap and rest in the refrigerator for 30 minutes.
- 3. Preheat oven on Moisture Plus with Fan Plus at 180°C with 1 manual burst of steam.
- 4. Roll pastry out onto a floured surface, using a pastry cutter, cut out 7cm rounds and line a greased mini muffin tin. Place a teaspoon of fruit mince into each pastry case.
- 5. Cut star shapes and use to cover the pies. Brush the tops with egg wash.
- 6. Place tin on shelf level 2, releasing steam immediately. Bake for 20 minutes or until golden brown. Allow tarts to cool in the tin for 10 minutes before transferring to a wire rack.

To serve

1. Dust with icing sugar.

Hints and tips

- Fruit mince will keep for months in sterilised jars and flavour improves with time.
- Fruit mince pies can be cooked in the combi steam Pro oven. Preheat on Fan Plus at 180°C, then place pies into oven, release a burst of steam immediately and cook for 20 minutes.