

Bread & Butter Pudding

Serves 6 Cuisine: British

Preparation Time: 10 Minutes

Cooking Time: 45 minutes plus 1 hour standing time

Ingredients:

12 slices White bread, crusts cut off

Butter, softened plus extra for greasing oven dish

40g Raisins 40g Sultanas Caster sugar for glazing

For the custard filling:

400ml Milk

400ml Double cream

2 Vanilla pods, split lengthways

8 Egg yolks 150g Caster sugar

Method:

- 1. Butter the bread slices and cut in half diagonally to create triangular shapes.
- 2. Add the milk, cream and vanilla pods to a pan and bring to simmering point over a low heat.
- 3. Whisk the eggs and sugar together in a mixing bowl.
- 4. Add the hot custard whilst whisking continuously.
- 5. Keep it warm while you grease a large oven dish with butter.
- 6. Line the dish with a third of the bread partly overlapping and top with half of the raisins and sultanas.
- 7. Repeat with a second layer of bread and the fruit.
- 8. Add a final layer of bread only.
- 9. Remove the vanilla pods from the custard and pour over the bread.
- 10. Leave it to stand and soak for 1 hour.
- 11. When ready, preheat the oven to 170°C.
- 12. Make a bain-marie by taking a roasting tin a little larger than the pudding dish and fill it with warm water halfway up.
- 13. Cover the pudding dish with buttered aluminium foil, place in the bain-marie and then into the oven and cook for 25-30 minutes until the custard has thickened.
- 14. Preheat a grill to hot.
- 15. Sprinkle remaining sugar over the pudding and place under the grill and colour until golden brown.

To Serve:

Chef's Notes: