

Hot Cross Biscuits

Prep time: 20 minutes.

Cook time: 15 minutes. Serves: 10

| Ingredients |
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| ¾ cup Milk, full cream |
| 1 Lemon |
| 3 cups Flour, plain white |
| 2 tbsp Sugar, white |
| 4 tsp Baking Powder |
| ¾ tsp Salt |
| 170g Nuttelex |
| 1 Egg, whole |
| ½ cup Dried fruit (e.g. sultanas or dates) |
| Icing |
| 2 tbsp Nuttelex |
| 1 tbsp Cream Cheese |
| 2 cups Icing Sugar |
| 30ml Milk, full cream |

Method

- 1. Preheat oven to 200°C and line baking trays with baking paper or spray with vegetable based oil.
- 2. Zest the lemon, then squeeze the juice into a separate bowl.
- 3. In a bowl, mix 1 cup milk to 1 tbsp lemon juice ratio. Add eggs and whisk.
- 4. In another bowl, whisk flour, sugar, baking powder, salt, and lemon zest.
- 5. Add Nuttelex and rub in with fingers until it resembles small pebbles. Stir in dried fruit.
- 6. Make a well in the dry mix, pour in wet ingredients, and mix with a fork or spoon.
- 7. Turn dough onto a floured surface. Lightly knead and press to 2–3cm thick.
- 8. Cut into circles, then quarter each circle and place quarters together on the tray repeating the pattern until all dough is used.
- 9. Bake for 12-15 mins or until lightly golden.
- 10. While dough is baking, blend Nuttelex, cream cheese, and icing sugar to a toothpaste-like consistency. Add a splash of milk if needed to make mixture smooth.
- 11. Prepare icing mix in a piping bag (or cling wrap home made or ziplock bag) and set aside.
- 12. Remove golden biscuits from oven and pipe crosses (or Easter patterns if that's your preference) once they've cooled.

Allergen alternatives: For gluten free, use gluten-free flour for baking and on surfaces. For dairy free use rice milk and Made with Plants cream cheese. For egg free, use egg replacer or chia eggs.