



# Buckwheat blini with cured trout

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1 hour, 30 minutes

15 minutes

10-12 Serves

# INGREDIENTS

## **Buckwheat Blini**

65g buckwheat flour, sifted
65g self-raising flour, sifted
15g caster sugar
1 teaspoon Murray River Sea Salt
1 teaspoon baking powder
200ml buttermilk
1 egg, lightly beaten
30g unsalted butter, melted

# Citrus cured ocean trout

2 x 400g pieces of ocean trout, pin boned, skinless 250g sugar 250g salt 1 tablespoon coriander seeds 1 tablespoon white peppercorns 2 lemons, juice and zest 2 oranges, juice and zest 50ml vodka ¼ bunch of dill, finely chopped

#### To Serve

100g crème fraiche Baby herbs

#### METHOD

#### Citrus cured ocean trout

1. In a small pan on medium-high heat, Induction setting 7, toast whole coriander seeds and peppercorns for 1-2 minutes until fragrant.

2. Tip seeds into a mortar and pestle and lightly crush, then transfer to a mixing bowl.

3. Add the remaining ingredients into the bowl and stir until combined.

4. Place a piece of trout into a large vacuum sealing bag and pour over half of the curing mix. Place in the Vacuum Sealing Drawer and seal on setting 2 and vacuum on setting 2. Repeat for the second piece of trout. Refrigerate for 12 hours.

#### **Buckwheat Blini**

1. Combine dry ingredients in a mixing bowl. In a separate bowl, whisk together buttermilk and egg.

2. Make a well in the centre of the dry ingredients and pour in the egg mixture, whisking gently to combine.

3. Add the melted butter and whisk into a thick batter free of lumps. Cover and rest batter in the refrigerator for at least an hour.

4. Heat a lightly greased non-stick pan on medium heat, Induction setting 5.

5. Spoon 1 teaspoon of the batter into the pan and flatten into 3cm rounds. Cook until bubbles appear on the surface, approximately 2 minutes then flip and continue to cook for a further minute, or until golden brown.

6. Remove from the pan and cool on cake rack. Continue cooking 4-5 blinis at a time until all of the batter has been used.

## To Serve

1. Remove cured trout from the vacuum sealing bag and rinse under cold water to wash away the curing mix, pat dry with paper towel and slice thinly.

2 Arrange room temperature blinis onto serving platters, spoon ½ a teaspoon of crème fraiche onto each blini and top with a curled slice of cured trout, garnish with baby herbs and serve.

#### Notes

- Blini batter can be made the day before cooking, keep covered in the refrigerator until required.
- Cured trout will keep in an airtight container or vacuum sealed bag in the refrigerator for a week.
- Salmon can be used as a substitute for ocean trout if unavailable.