



Fig, almond, anise and custard crostata

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20 minutes

45 minutes

10-12

Serves

INGREDIENTS

300ml pouring cream

- 1 teaspoon fennel seeds
- 1 fresh bay leaf
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 3 eggs
- 1 egg yolk
- 50g caster sugar
- 2 teaspoons vanilla paste
- 6 ripe figs, trimmed and thickly sliced,

1cm

3 tablespoons Maggie Beer Burnt Fig

Jam

2 tablespoons demerara sugar

Almond pastry

100g unsalted butter, softened and diced

100g caster sugar

1 egg

1 egg yolk

200g plain flour

70g almond meal

METHOD

Almond pastry

- 1. Beat butter and sugar in an electric mixer until pale and fluffy.
- 2. Add egg and yolk and mix until combined.
- 3. Combine flour, almond meal and a pinch of salt. Add to the bowl and mix until just incorporated and a dough forms.
- 4. Transfer dough to the bench and lightly knead until smooth. Form into a flat disc and wrap in cling wrap. Refrigerate for 30 minutes to rest.

Filling

1. Bring cream, fennel seeds, bay leaf and cinnamon to a simmer in a saucepan on medium heat, Induction setting

Remove from the heat and set aside to infuse for 30 minutes.

2. Roll pastry out on a lightly floured surface to 5mm thick and line a 25cm tart tin that has been buttered and dusted with flour,

pressing pastry into corners and sides. Alternatively line 8-10 individual tart tins or rings (7-8cm).

- 3. Spread the jam over the base of the pastry and set aside until required.
- 4. Re-heat infused cream slightly and add honey, stirring to combine.
- 5. Whisk eggs and sugar in a bowl, then strain cream over, add vanilla and whisk to combine.
- 6. Pour into the tart shell and place into the oven on shelf position 1 and bake on Intensive Bake at 170°C for 20 minutes.
- 7. Remove tart from the oven and arrange sliced figs over the top of the custard.
- 8. Sprinkle with sugar, return to t

Hints & Tips

- This recipe is also suitable for individual tarts, the complete cooking time to be reduced to 20 minutes, or until custard is set.
- Carème Vanilla Bean Sweet Shortcrust Pastry is suitable for this recipe if you don't wish to make your own pastry.