Bunratty Folk Park Enjoy the true taste of the Ireland's Past Pleasures and Present Delights

Fruit Scones

Ingredients

1lb (450g) White Flour

3 Tsp White Sugar

2 Tsp Baking Powder

2 Eggs

Pinch of Salt 1 Tsp Bread Soda 3 ozs (75g) Sultanas 1/2 Pt (285 ml) Buttermilk

4 ozs (100g) Margarine

Method

Mix all dry ingredients together. Blend in margarine. Add sultanas. Gradually add beaten eggs and Buttermilk until there is a sponge-like mixture. Roll out to 2½cm thickness (1 inch). Cut into shape using a round cutter and place on a lightly greased baking tray. Bake in a hot oven Gas Mark 6, Electric - 400° F, 200° C for 20 minutes.

Makes 24 scones approximately.

Wholemeal Scones

Ingredients

8ozs (225g) White flour

1 Tsp Bread Soda

8ozs (225g) Wholemeal flour 1 Tsp Baking Powder Pinch of Salt

4 ozs (100 g) of Butter

2 Large egg

½ pt (285 ml) Buttermilk

Method

Mix all dry ingredients together. Gradually add Buttermilk and beaten egg until you have a sponge-like mixture. Roll out to 21/2cm (1 inch) thickness. Shape using a round cutter and place on a lightly greased baking tray. Bake in a hot oven Gas mark 6, Electric - 400°F, 200°C for 20 minutes.

Makes 24 scones approximately.

Wholemeal Brown Bread

Ingredients

8 ozs (200g) Wholemeal Flour

Pinch of Salt

8 ozs (200g) White Flour

½ pt (285 ml) Buttermilk

1 Tsp Bread Soda

1 Tsp Baking Powder

Method

Mix all the dry ingredients together. Gradually add Buttermilk until mixture forms doughy consistency. Make into a ball and flatten slightly using a dusting of flour on each side. Lightly cut the top in a cross pattern of the flattened dough. Put onto a lightly greased baking tray. Bake in a hot oven Gas mark 6, Electric - 400° F, 200° for 30 minutes.

White Soda Bread can be made using all White Flour.

Apple Pie

Ingredients

10 ozs (275g) Plain Flour

2 Eggs

6 ozs (175g) Margarine

2 ozs(50g) White Sugar

3 large cooking apples

Method

Rub flour and margarine together until they resemble breadcrumb like mixture. Add sugar, mix well. Gradually add beaten eggs. (Cold water may be added if mixture is too dry) Roll out 2 pieces of pastry to cover a 10 inch plate. Place one pieces of pasty and cover with sliced apple. Sprinkle with sugar and cover with second piece of pastry. Seal the edges and score the top. Bake in a hot oven Gas Mark 6, Electric -400° F, 200° C, for 30 minutes.

Porter Cake

Ingredients

450g (1lb) Raisins 225g (8 ozs) Margarine 50g (2 ozs) Glace Cherries 50g (2 ozs) Candied Peel ½ pint (285 ml) Guinness

225g (8 ozs) Brown Sugar 700g (11/2 lb) White Flour 1 Tsp Mixed Spice

1/4 Tsp Cinnamon Pinch of Salt

1 Tsp Bread Soda

4 Eggs

Method

Place all the fruit, margarine, sugar and Guinness in a saucepan and bring to the boil. Allow to cool.

Gradually add the flour and other dry ingredients. Then add the beaten eggs. Line an 8inch (20cm) tin with greased paper. Bake in a pre heated oven Gas mark 4, Electric - 350°F, 180°C for 1 hour. Reduce the oven temperature to Gas mark 2, 300° F, 150° C for a further half hour. Allow to cool on wire tray. Store in an airtight container.

Fruit Cake

Ingredients

225g (8 ozs) White Flour

3 Tsp White Sugar

2 Tsp Baking Powder

2 Eggs

Pinch of Salt 1 Tsp Bread Soda 50g (2 ozs) Margarine 50G (2 ozs) Raisins ½ pt (285 ml) Buttermilk

Method

Mix all dry ingredients together; gradually add Buttermilk and beaten eggs until you have a sponge-like mixture. Turn into a well greased 5inch tin, lined with grease proof paper. Bake in a hot oven, Gas Mark 6, Electric - 400° F, 200° C for 30 mins. Allow to cool on a wire tray.