



INGREDIENTS

- 150g cold salted butter
- ¾ cup dark brown sugar
- ²/₃ cup chopped hazelnuts
- 3 cups self-raising flour, plus extra for dusting
- 11/4 cups milk

Hazelnut & Butterscotch Pull-aparts

This recipe is one of the quickest and easiest I know - yet looks fabulous and tastes delicious - that's my kind of cooking! Best of all, you can use this technique to make any flavour pull-aparts, sweet or savoury. Replace hazelnuts with any other nut, add dried fruit or chopped chocolate if you like. For savoury pull-parts, omit the sugar, rub half the butter into the flour and combine the rest with garlic, herbs or any other seasoning to spread over the dough. With the sweet pull-aparts, try a glass of Ratafia de Champagne, a slightly sweet fortified wine made from the second pressing of Champagne grapes. Happy experimenting!

Serves 10

METHOD

- 1. Preheat oven to 220°C.
- 2. Soften half the butter (75g) and combine it with half the sugar.
- 3. Spread over the base of a 20cm greased cake tin and sprinkle nuts on top.
- 4. Cut half the remaining butter (about 40g) into small pieces and, using the tips of your fingers, rub it into the flour.
- 5. Stir in 1 cup of the milk, adding a little more at a time if needed to form a firm dough, you may not need it all.
- 6. Tip onto a lightly floured bench and pat into a rectangular shape.
- 7. Gently roll and pat into a neat 25cm x 30cm rectangle.
- 8. Melt remaining butter, drizzle over the dough and brush out to the edges.
- 9. Sprinkle evenly with remaining sugar.
- 10. Roll firmly, from the long side, into a Swiss roll.
- 11. Cut into 10 slices and arrange in the cake tin in a single layer, cut side up.
- 12. Bake for 20-25 minutes, until well-coloured, then remove from oven and turn out onto a serving plate. Spread any topping left in the tin over the top.
- 13. Pull apart and serve warm, with extra butter if you like (though I don't think it needs it).