Adjaran Khachapuri



Serves 6 Prep 30 mins + 1h proving Cooking 15 mins Challenge

Ingredients

For the dough

7g fast-action dried yeast 2 tbsp granulated sugar 200ml lukewarm water 450g white bread flour, + extra for dusting 10g fine salt

For the filling

100g quark or ricotta 250g Ogleshield or raclette cheese 250g feta cheese, crumbled 6 small eggs, plus 1 egg yolk 10g cold unsalted butter, sliced in 6 slivers

- 1. To make the dough, combine the yeast with the sugar, water, flour and salt in a bowl. Cover with cling film and either leave it in the refrigerator overnight or somewhere in your kitchen for an hour or so, until doubled in size.
- 2. For the filling, mix the cheeses with the single egg yolk and use a fork to mash well.
- 3. Preheat the oven to its highest setting and heat a couple of baking sheets or a pizza stone if you have one.
- 4. Flour your work surface really well. Cover your hands in flour and scrape the dough on to your work surface. Briefly knead the dough in the flour if it's too sticky.
- 5. Divide the dough into 6 pieces (each piece should be about 100g). Roll out each piece of dough on a lightly floured work surface into a 18cm disc. Stretch either side of each disc, then pile 100g of filling in the centre, leaving a 5mm border around the edge.
- 6. Bring two sides of the dough up to meet in the middle and pinch a seam together to seal, similar to a Cornish pasty. Press down with the flat of your hand to flatten it, then flip it over so the seam is face-down. With a sharp knife, make a slash along the middle of the dough and push the sides open to expose the filling. Repeat with the rest of the dough and filling to make 6 khachapuris.
- 7. Slide the khachapuris on to the hot baking trays and bake for 10 minutes, or until the sides turn golden.
- 8. Crack an egg into the centre of each, then bake for a further 2–3 minutes.
- 9. To eat, melt a piece of butter into each egg yolk, pinch the dough from one end and use it to dip and mix the runny, buttery egg yolk into the filling.