Brioche Frangipane Apple Pudding



Serves 6 Prep 30 mins Cooking 40 mins Easy

Ingredients

½ brioche loaf, cut into 5mm slices

116g butter, softened, + extra for greasing

116g caster sugar

116g ground almonds

1/2 tsp almond extract

2 free-range eggs, beaten

15g plain flour

2 red dessert apples, cored & sliced, skin on

2 tbsp apricot jam

1 tbsp flaked almonds, toasted

icing sugar, for dusting

- 1. Preheat the oven to 200C/180C Fan/Gas 6. Generously grease a shallow ovenproof dish, about 22 x 16 cm or 20cm diameter flan dish.
- 2. Arrange the brioche in the dish to cover the base, filling in all the gaps, but do not overlap the slices.
- 3. Put the butter & caster sugar in a food processor & whizz until light & creamy. Add the ground almonds, almond extract, eggs & flour and whizz again until soft and smooth, but do not over-mix.
- 4. Spoon the mixture over the brioche base & spread to the sides of the dish. Arrange the sliced apples on top in overlapping circles. Bake for \pm 35 40 mins, or until lightly golden all over; it should feel firm in the centre when lightly pressed.
- 5. Melt the jam with 2 tablespoons of water in a small saucepan. Brush the jam over the pudding and sprinkle with the flaked almonds. Dust with icing sugar and serve warm, on its own or with custard.
- 6. **Recipe Tips:** This can be made up to 8 hours ahead and reheated.