

# Gingerbread Tree

### One tree

#### **INGREDIENTS**

250 ml milk
60 g honey
300 g all-purpose flour
150 g ground almonds
15 g baking powder
3 tbsp cocoa powder
1 tsp ground cinnamon
1 tsp ground ginger
½ tsp ground clove
½ tsp ground nutmeg
150 g soft butter
120 g brown sugar
3 eggs
Pinch of salt
200 g chocolate, dunkle Schokolade

For decoration:
Fresh rosemary sprigs
Chopped Pistachios
Pecans
Dried cranberries
Confectioner's sugar





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#### <u>METHOD</u>

- 1. Add milk and honey to a small saucepan and bring to a simmer on **Induction Hob heat setting 7**. Then, set aside.
- 2. In a large mixing bowl, mix flour, ground almonds, baking powder, cocoa powder, ground cinnamon, ground ginger, ground clove, ground nutmeg, and a pinch of salt.
- 3. Preheat your oven to 180 °C Circo Therm® and choose Added Steam Intensity Level 2. With a hand mixer, beat soft butter and brown sugar until pale and foamy. Then, beat in eggs adding one at a time until fully incorporated. Alternating, add dry ingredients and warm milk mixture to the butter mixture. Continue to beat until fully combined.
- **4.** Add the batter to a greased baking pan (30x24). Spread evenly and gently knock pan on work surface to release air bubbles. Bake on **shelf level 2** for approx. 10 minutes **with Added Steam**, then continue baking for approx. 10 minutes **without Added Steam**, until a toothpick inserted comes out clean. Set aside to cool.
- 5. For the Christmas tree shapes remove the cooled down cake from the baking tin. Use either a self made template or simply cut out 3 trapezoidal shapes and 1 small triangle. Transfer the pieces to a wire rack. Then, set the rack onto a rimmed baking sheet which will catch the chocolate drips while coating.
- 6. Roughly chop dark chocolate. Choose Temperature Cooking with the Twist Pad Flex® and slowly chocolate in a heat proof bowl over a pot with water at 70 °C. Pour the melted chocolate over the cake pieces and let the chocolate set for at least 20 minutes in the fridge.
- **7.** Assemble the pieces to form a christmas tree and decorate with fresh rosemary sprigs, chopped pistachios, pecans, dried cranberries and confectioner's sugar. Enjoy!