

SOURDOUGH CROISSANT

Ingredients

- 250 g (0.55 lb) Cake Wheat Flour
 - 145 g (0.32 lb) Unsalted Butter
- 86 g (0.19 lb) Sourdough Starter
- 24 g (0.053 lb) Sugar (Optional)
- 5 g (0.011 lb) Salt | 140 g (0.31 lb) Water

MAKES 6 MEDIUM CROISSANTS

Directions

- 1. Prepare a *Dry Sourdough Starter* the night before. Mix in 23 g (0.05) Ib) of Mature Starter, 43 g (0.095 lb) of cake wheat flour and 20 g (0.044 lb) of water.
- 2. In a large bowl mix in all Ingredients except the butter until fully incorporated into the dough. Only melt 20 g (0.044 lb) of butter before adding it to your mixture. When mixed, slap it down on your work surface for 1 - 2 minutes. Cover with a damp cloth and leave to rest for 15 minutes.
- 3. Perform stretch & folds, pulling the ends around the dough over itself. Once completed, flip it over into your bowl and re-cover it; wait an additional 15 minutes to repeat this process once more. After the second stretch & fold, re-cover the bowl and leave the dough to rest in the fridge for 30 minutes

Directions Continued Part 1

- 4. Shape your dough into a 17cm by 17cm (6.7in) square by placing your dough into a casing of parchment paper and using a rolling pin to spread the dough into the parchment. Remove the casing & cover the dough in plastic wrap or place it on a dish covered with a damp cloth. Leave it in the fridge overnight for a maximum of 21 hours.
- 5. The following day, shape 125 g (0.28g) of butter into a 10cm by 10cm (4 in by 4 in) square beurage by placing your butter into a casing of parchment paper and using a rolling pin to spread the butter into the parchment. Remove the beurage from the parchment & place that on a plate in your fridge for 10 minutes.
- 6. Extend the corners of your dough & then place your beurage at the dough's centre in a diamond shape. Fold the corners of your dough over the beurage, encasing it. Let it rest for a few minutes & then roll the dough to 45cm (18 in) in length. Fold one side of the dough to 3/4th's of its length, fold the other side over the remaining length so the ends touch. Take the longer folded side and fold it again to the top of the dough. Cover that and place it in your fridge for 1 hour. From there re-roll your dough to 45 cm (18 inches). Fold one side of the dough to 2/3rd's of its length, fold the other side over the first fold. Cover that and place it in your fridge for 1 more hour.
- 7. Re-roll your dough to 30 cm (12 in) and make marks every 10 cm (4 in) on one side and marks between those on the other side. Cut your dough into triangles using those marks as guidelines. Stretch the bottom of one triangle piece down & then begin tightly rolling it. Repeat with all dough pieces & place it on a baking tray covered with parchment paper. Coat your croissants with egg wash. Let that proof in your oven with a light on for 2 hours.

Directions Continued Part 2

8. Take your croissants out of the oven and preheat it to 230°C or (446°F). Re-coat your croissants with egg wash and place it in a high rack in your oven (Once preheated). Bake for 15 - 20 minutes or until Golden Brown.

ENJOY!