Custard Tart

Ingredients for Shortcrust Pastry:

200g Plain Flour 50g Butter 50g Lard / white Fat 40ml Cold Water (approximately) Pinch of Salt





Please bring a container to take your custard tarts home in.

Ingredients for Filling:

300ml Milk 2 Eggs 2 Tablespoons Caster Sugar Ground Nutmeg





Method:

- 1. Preheat the oven to 190°C or Gas Mark 5.
- 2. Weigh and measure out all ingredients accurately.
- **3.** Cut the butter and lard/white fat into small pieces.
- 4. Sieve the flour into a large plastic bowl and add the salt.
- **5.** Add the butter and lard/white fat in a mixing bowl.
- 6. Rub fat into the flour with your fingertips until it resembles breadcrumbs.
- 7. Measure the cold water into a measuring jug on the weighing scales.
- **8.** Make a well in the middle of the breadcrumbs and add the water a little at a time, mixing with a round-bladed knife until it forms a dough. You may not need to add all the water.
- **9.** Roll out onto a lightly floured work surface, using a floured rolling pin, to approximately 0.5cm thick.
- **10.** Using a pastry cutter, cut round shapes from the pastry and press into a 12 hole cake tin.
- **11.**To prepare the custard filling: Crack the first egg into a small bowl, check for any shell and transfer into a large bowl. Crack the second egg into a small bowl, check for any shell and also transfer this into a large bowl.
- **12.** Whisk the eggs using a balloon whisk.
- **13.** Put the milk and sugar in a small saucepan and place at the front of the hob. Bring to the boil.
- 14. Pour the milk and sugar mixture onto the whisked eggs and cool.
- **15.** Strain the mixture using a sieve into a measuring jug. Pour the mixture into the pastry cases and sprinkle with ground nutmeg.
- 16. Bake for 15 to 20 minutes until set.

