

"Quick" Homemade Vegan Croissants







SIDE DISH

Ingredients

	1 Teaspoon active yeast	dry

- 2.3 cups bread flour
- 9 Tablespoons butter frozen
- 1 Teaspoon salt
- 0.5 cup teaspoons water

Equipment

- bowl
- baking paper

	oven			
	knife			
	plastic wrap			
	rolling pin			
Directions				
	To make the dough, start by combining all of the dry ingredients together in a large bowl until well distributed.			
	Add in the water and melted margarine, and stir thoroughly to incorporate.			
	Mix everything together and knead until a smooth dough is formed.			
	Let rest in the fridge for 20–30 minutes. Turn the dough out onto a floured surface and kneed by hand for about 10 – 15 minutes, until smooth and elastic.			
	Place in a lightly greased bowl, cover with plastic wrap, and let rest in the refrigerator for about 30 minutes. While the dough chills, you can go ahead and prepare the "butter" block. It helps to start by cutting the margarine into sizable chunks and arranging them right next to each other in as even of a rectangle as possible on top of a silpat or piece of parchment paper. Sandwich the margarine in between another silpat or sheet of parchment paper, and using your rolling pin, whack it into submission. You want to flatten the block out to about 1 cm or so high, and try to keep the sides even and rectangular. Allow it to chill in the fridge for 20–30 minutes. Once properly chilled, roll the dough out into a rectangle about twice as large as your "butter" block.			
	Place the "butter" block in the center, diagonal to the sides (not parallel.) Enclose the block like an envelope, bringing the corners of the dough in to meet at the center.			
	Roll the whole thing out gently to a thickness of about 1 cm again, and fold the short sides in by thirds. Return it to the fridge so that it can chill for another 20 minutes before proceeding. Don't be tempted to hasten this time, as the heat from your hands and the rolling pin will make all of the margarine melt and run out. It's essential to keep this dough as cool as possible before it hits the oven!The folding and shaping process is rather difficult to describe in words, so don't worry if you're a bit confused. Just check out the very helpful photos over at Wiki			
	How and Joe Pastry if you need a visual aid.			
	Roll out the dough into a rectangle yet again, and fold in thirds as before. Chill for the same amount of time, and then repeat this process once more. Chill the dough for 20 more minutes before shaping it. To shape your croissants, roll the dough out into a rectangle as before, but			

	cut it with a very sharp knife into equal triangles. If you want mini croissants, cut the dough in half lengthwise first, and then cut your triangles.			
	Roll each triangle up, starting at the widest side, and the place each one on a fresh silpat or piece of parchment paper. Once all the croissants are cut and rolled, let them rise in a warm place for about 75 minutes, until nearly doubled in size. After rising, move the croissants into a preheated 415 degree oven. As soon as they're safely inside, reduce the heat to 350 degrees, and do not open the door again until 15 minutes has elapsed. They should be golden brown, but if not, bake for an additional 5 – 10 minutes as necessary.			
	Let cool before enjoying the fruits of your labor!			
Nutrition Facts				
	PROTEIN 7.49% FAT 49.66% CARBS 42.85%			

Properties

Glycemic Index:5.58, Glycemic Load:11.01, Inflammation Score:-3, Nutrition Score:2.5586956625237%

Nutrients (% of daily need)

Calories: 160.95kcal (8.05%), Fat: 8.86g (13.63%), Saturated Fat: 1.81g (11.33%), Carbohydrates: 17.2g (5.73%), Net Carbohydrates: 16.57g (6.02%), Sugar: 0.07g (0.08%), Cholesterol: Omg (0%), Sodium: 293.9mg (12.78%), Alcohol: Og (100%), Alcohol %: O% (100%), Protein: 3.01g (6.01%), Selenium: 9.33µg (13.32%), Manganese: 0.19mg (9.35%), Vitamin A: 376.05IU (7.52%), Folate: 13.91µg (3.48%), Vitamin B1: 0.05mg (3.22%), Vitamin E: 0.42mg (2.79%), Phosphorus: 26.8mg (2.68%), Fiber: 0.63g (2.53%), Copper: 0.05mg (2.28%), Vitamin B3: 0.34mg (1.71%), Vitamin B2: 0.03mg (1.67%), Magnesium: 6.42mg (1.6%), Zinc: 0.22mg (1.48%), Vitamin B5: 0.15mg (1.46%), Iron: 0.22mg (1.21%)