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> COOK ALONG SATURDAY 24th March at new time of 2pm Via our facebook page – it will be streamed LIVE https://www.facebook.com/christinebaileykitchen

If you want to cook with us weigh out all your ingredients and grab your apron.

VEGAN & GLUTEN FREE SIMNEL CAKE

This classic fruit cake is traditionally baked at Easter: the eleven balls of marzipan on top represent Jesus's disciples, minus Judas. There is also a lovely layer of marzipan inside the cake. Light and fruity - this version is gluten free, dairy free and vegan and low in added sugar

Makes 1 x 18cm Cake

50g dried cranberries or other dried berries 200g mixed dried fruit 2tsp mixed spice 1tsp cinnamon 50ml apple juice 1 block (500g) white marzipan (check labels to make sure vegan / gluten free) 50g dairy-free spread (can use coconut oil) 50g xylitol 3 tbsp pure fruit apricot jam (no added sugar) 125g apple puree (I use baby Hipp apple) 100g gluten free flour (I use Doves Plain Flour) 50g ground almonds 1tbsp gluten-free baking powder 1 tbsp apricot jam Icing sugar, for dusting or ground up xylitol

Equipment

Food processor or large glass bowl Small bowl for soaking fruit Rolling pin Clingfilm 1 x 18cm cake tin Baking parchment Wooden spoons and metal spoons / knife for cutting marzipan Blow torch - optional Pastry brush