TWELIX ARTISAN
COOKBOOK

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At KitchenAid we work closely with true professionals, who know every secret and nuance of the fascinating world of haute cuisine, and who help us to develop every appliance. We listen to advice from the world’s best and most creative chefs, watch how they work and are inspired by their techniques and tricks of the trade.

This insight helps us to create intelligent products that last for years and inspire passionate gourmets by helping them to express their creativity and achieve professional results in the kitchen.

When designing this oven we worked side by side with the chef Emanuele Scarello, whose standard of excellence has earned him two Michelin stars. His input was invaluable when developing the functions and exhaustively testing the oven, while his creativity and professional experience helped us to perfect recipes that sublimely showcase the potential of this outstanding oven.

KitchenAid is delighted to offer you, our valued customers, this unique gourmet guide with twenty-five exciting new recipes. Each one invites you to discover the natural flavours of Italy’s great gastronomic traditions, which are ingeniously and stylishly interpreted and described with straightforward instructions. What better way to start exploring the infinite potential of your Twelix Artisan oven.
**Important**

Cooking times and temperatures offer a purely approximate guideline and naturally vary depending on the quality of the ingredients. They may be altered to suit your personal preferences and tastes.

Unlike traditional convection cooking methods which require the oven to be pre-heated, when using the Pure Steam or Steam-Assisted cooking functions the ingredients are placed in a cold oven.

The suggested quantities of water for some recipes cooked with the Pure Steam cooking function are smaller than the manufacturer's standard quantities. This allows for quicker cooking times for recipes that contain particularly delicate ingredients. We recommend increasing the amount of water if you wish to extend the cooking time.
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The Twelix Artisan oven offers the option of three different cooking modes: convection, steam-assisted (a combination of steam and convection) and pure steam.

The following recipes will guide you as you master the Artisan Steam functions and start to enjoy mouth-watering, professional results.
Now, even less experienced cooks can create perfectly cooked dishes every time. The Artisan oven features four pre-programmed steam functions so you can select different combinations of heat and steam to suit your chosen recipe. Meat, Poultry, Fish or Stuffed Vegetables: just select your desired food group, add the recommended amount of water and the oven suggests the ideal temperature, producing just the right amount of steam so your recipes are cooked to perfection.

If you are feeling imaginative and want to unleash your culinary creativity, KitchenAid has designed the Custom Steam function just for you. You can set the temperature and choose the steam injection intensity to satisfy whichever gastronomic needs and desires your inner chef may have.

When cooking with the steam-assisted programme you can make use of the entire oven space. Food is cooked on a baking sheet or oven drip tray rather than on the steam grid of the Artisan steam accessory.
Caramelised Butternut Squash
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Ingredients (serves 4)

- 1 butternut squash
- Butter
- Salt

When cooked properly, all you need is a simple recipe to accentuate the natural fragrance, soft texture and sweet flavour of squash. An excellent ingredient for creams, gnocchi and cakes and delicious served on its own with yogurt and squash seeds.

Method

Cut the butternut squash lengthwise, brush with butter, and cook at 170°C.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Select the Mid Custom Steam mode from the Artisan Steam functions and cook for 2 hours with 500 ml of water.
Stuffed Breast of Guinea Fowl

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Stuffed Breast of Guinea Fowl

Ingredients (serves 4)

4 half breasts of guinea fowl
200 g sausage
2 sprigs of thyme
(only the leaves)
50 g bread (without the crust)
2 sprigs of rosemary
Salt
Pepper

This fine-quality meat has a delightfully unique flavour that is heightened by a tasty, rustic sausage filling and the aromatic bouquet of thyme. An original dish for a special occasion that evokes the country life of yesteryear, while strong flavours show an appreciation of the intrinsic quality of each ingredient.

Method

Mix the sausage with the breadcrumbs and season with the thyme leaves, salt and pepper.

Make a pocket in the guinea fowl breasts and fill with the sausage mixture. Next tie each breast with kitchen string and place on a baking sheet. Position the oven shelf at the second shelf position and place the baking sheet on the shelf.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Select the Poultry mode from the Artisan Steam functions, and cook at 200°C for 20 minutes with 100 ml of water.
Stuffed Breast of Guinea Fowl
Potatoes, Bacon and Rosemary
Ingredients (serves 4)

12 small potatoes  
12 sprigs of rosemary  
24 slices of bacon  
Salt and pepper

A key ingredient in cuisines worldwide, the potatoes in this recipe express a love of good, old-fashioned cooking, giving traditional flavours and fragrances a new twist and providing an unexpected thrill for your taste buds.

Method

Scrub and clean the potatoes well. Slice them in half and parboil in salted water for 2 minutes. Dry the potato halves, place them face up, and sprinkle with pepper, salt and rosemary. Sandwich each pair of halves together, and wrap a slice of bacon around each potato.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Select the Stuffed Vegetables mode from the Artisan Steam functions, and cook at 170°C for about 20 minutes with 200 ml of water.
Potatoes, Bacon and Rosemary

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[Images of cooking process]
Fillet Steak with Vegetables and Ligurian Olives
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Ingredients (serves 4)
- 800 g fillet steak
- 1 red pepper
- 1 yellow pepper
- 1 aubergine
- 2 courgettes
- 1 fennel
- 4 small potatoes
- Taggiasca olives to taste
- Salt and pepper
- Extra-virgin olive oil
- Aromatic herbs

A first-choice cut of meat perfected by professional cooking, accompanied by the vibrant colours and flavours of freshly-grown produce and the tasty tang of Ligurian olives.

Method

Remove any sinew from the meat and season with salt, pepper, extra-virgin olive oil and aromatic herbs.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: If you prefer your meat slightly pink, set the oven using the Low Custom Steam function, and cook at 130°C for 8 minutes with 100 ml of water.

Carve the meat into slices of your preferred thickness and serve with the vegetables. Taggiasca olives add the finishing touch to this exquisite dish.
Rump of Veal with Tuna Sauce
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Ingredients (serves 4)

For the tuna sauce
- 100 g eggs
- 500 g peanut oil
- Mustard
- 2 anchovies
- Juice of ½ lemon
- 250 g tuna in oil

For the rump of veal
- 1 600 g rump of veal
- Salt and pepper to taste
- Seed oil

This is a classic Italian dish. It immediately brings to mind warm summer colours and the carefree vibe of holidays when the sun never seems to set. The secret to perfecting this dish is using only the finest-quality ingredients, attention to detail and the seemingly incongruous yet hedonistic combination of meat and fish.

Method

Pour the eggs into the Artisan blender and add the lemon juice, anchovies, mustard and salt.

Set the blender to high speed and start to add the peanut oil one drop at a time to make the mayonnaise.

Lastly, add the tuna and mix together.

Season the veal with salt and pepper. Now sauté the veal with the oil in a pan over a high heat.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: If you prefer your meat slightly pink, set the oven by selecting the Meat mode from the Artisan Steam functions and cook at 160°C for 20 minutes with 20 ml of water.

Leave to cool and carve the meat into slices. Serve with the tuna sauce and garnish with capers.
Free-range Chicken
Free-range Chicken

Ingredients

1 1.5 kg (approx.) chicken
(preferably Poulet de Bresse)
Garlic
Extra-virgin olive oil
Rosemary
Thyme
Salt and black pepper to taste

Such a simple dish yet such a harmonious blend of fragrance and flavour. A heady bouquet of aromatic herbs mingled with the pungent aroma of garlic is all you need to recreate the ambience of Sunday lunches in the Italian countryside.

Method

Clean the chicken and remove the giblets and any remaining feathers. Place the chicken in a roasting tin and season with salt, pepper, extra-virgin olive oil, rosemary and a few unpeeled cloves of garlic. Leave the chicken in the fridge to marinate for a few hours.

Plug in the Artisan steam accessory without the glass lid.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Place the drip tray in the oven. Select the Poultry mode from the Artisan Steam functions, and cook at 165°C for 2 hours with 500 ml of water.
Herb and Ricotta Omelette
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*Ingredients (serves 4)*

300 g fresh ricotta  
8 eggs  
Rind of 1 lemon  
Chilli pepper  
150 g wild herbs  
150 ml extra-virgin olive oil  
100 g Grana Padano cheese  
Salt to taste  
Pepper

The fresh, creamy flavour of ricotta paired with the sharp citrus tang of lemon rind in this light yet sumptuous omelette provides a perfectly balanced complement for the delicate aroma of wild herbs.

**Method**

Place all the ingredients in the blender and combine them until you have a smooth, creamy consistency. Leave to rest in the fridge preferably for 2 hours. Spread out the mixture on the oven’s drip tray. Plug in the Artisan steam accessory without the glass lid.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Place the drip tray in the oven. Select the Low Custom Steam function, and cook at 130°C for 50 minutes with 150 ml of water.
Herb and Ricotta Omelette
Brown Bread

Ingredients
For two 20 cm loaf tins
500 g multi-grain flour
175 g water
40 g yogurt
20 g honey
1 g fresh yeast
1 teaspoon salt (12 g)

With its wholesome, homemade character, brown bread exudes a timeless appeal. It personifies the perfect blend of natural ingredients and a real understanding of the value of a healthy diet, evoking memories of happy times spent with family and friends.

Method

Mix all the ingredients together, adding the salt last and knead the dough.
Leave the dough in the oven to prove until it has doubled in size (set the Rising mode from the Special Functions to 40°C).
Now divide the dough in half, and pat each piece into shape and place in the loaf tins. Leave the dough to prove until it has doubled in size (select the Rising mode from the Special Functions and set to 40°C).

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Select the Mid Custom Steam function and cook at 180°C for 40 minutes with 200 ml of water.
Brown Bread
Corn Grissini (Breadsticks)
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These are fun to make and offer a tasty alternative to bread. Ideal for Sunday brunch, aperitifs in the garden or a candle-lit meal by the pool.

**Method**

Place all the ingredients, except the salt, in the KitchenAid Artisan stand mixer and mix for 10 minutes using the dough hook until you have smooth, evenly mixed dough. Leave the dough to rest in the oven (select the Rising mode from the Special Functions and set to 40°C) until it has doubled in size.

Now place the dough on a pastry board and dust it on both sides with the corn flour. Lightly roll the dough out with a rolling pin to a thickness of about 7 mm. Cut the dough into 10-12 cm strips and roll to form grissini that are 30 cm long.

Place the grissini on the oven’s drip tray, which is protected by a Silpat baking mat or a sheet of greaseproof paper. Leave the grissini to rest in the oven (select the Rising mode from the Special Functions and set to 40°C) until they have doubled in size.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Plug in the Artisan steam accessory. Select the Mid Custom Steam function, set the oven to 190°C and add 300 ml water.

Place the drip tray with the grissini in the oven and set the time to 10-12 minutes.

**Ingredients**

- 500 g soft wheat flour (type “00”)
- 100 g all-purpose flour (type “0”)
- 300 g water
- 150 g extra-virgin olive oil
- 25 g brewer’s yeast
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 50 g corn flour

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Corn Grissini (Breadsticks)
KitchenAid has created a special steam accessory for the Twelix Artisan oven. When you wish to use the Pure Steam method, just place the steam accessory in the oven cavity and arrange the food on the grill that fits (please consult the instruction manual when using).

Now all you need to do is add the amount of water required by the recipe, place the glass lid on the steam accessory and select your desired Artisan Pure Steam function from the menu.

The steam accessory fills with steam under the glass lid and gently cooks your food (without ever exceeding 100°C) in a natural, healthy way that requires no added oil or fat.
Clams with Tomatoes
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Ingredients

2 kg fresh carpet-shell clams (cleaned and scrubbed)
300 g grape tomatoes
Garlic
Black pepper

The irresistible fresh flavour of carpet-shell clams and the exquisite aroma of grape tomatoes, all steamed to perfection in one mouth-watering dish. This recipe may be simple but it certainly satisfies all five senses and reflects the wisdom of seafarers’ age-old culinary traditions.

Method

Clean the clams, peel the grape tomatoes and place everything on the steam grid of the Artisan steam accessory. Place the Artisan steam accessory in the oven and plug it in.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Select the Pure Steam function, set the time to 12-15 minutes and add 1 litre of water.
Caramote Prawns and Courgettes
Ingredients (serves 4)

16 fresh caramote prawns
6 fresh courgettes
Salt and pepper
Extra-virgin olive oil

Treat your taste buds to mouth-watering bliss with sweet juicy prawns embraced by the refreshing flavour of succulently tender courgettes.

Preparation

Cut the courgettes into thin slices, sprinkle with salt and leave them to marinate for 20 minutes. Rinse to remove the salt and dry. Remove the shells from the tails and remove the veins from the prawns. Season with salt and pepper, and wrap the tails with the slices of courgette.

Arrange them on the steam grid of the Artisan steam accessory and place in the oven.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Select the Pure Steam function. To ensure the prawns remain really tender, we recommend cooking them for 6 minutes with 200 ml of water.
Squid Carbonara
**Squid Carbonara**

A culinary eye-opener! Carbonara may be a traditional Italian dish, but this recipe features a very surprising twist by incorporating an original and even more tantalising combination of ingredients. An ingenious dish with a whole host of delectable nuances.

**Ingredients (serves 4)**

- 4 medium-sized fresh squid
- Extra-virgin olive oil
- 100 g smoked pancetta

**For the mayonnaise:**

- 2 eggs
- 300 g seed oil
- Juice of ½ lemon
- 10 g mustard

**Method**

Clean the squid and separate the heads from the tentacles (these can be used in other dishes). Arrange the squid heads on the steam grid of the Artisan steam accessory and place in the oven.

**COOKING INSTRUCTIONS:** Cover with the glass lid, select the Pure Steam function and cook for 5 minutes with 500 ml of water. Cool in water and ice.

Use the KitchenAid blender to make the mayonnaise in the traditional manner.

Cut the squid into thin julienne strips, and cube the pancetta. Sauté the squid with the pancetta in a very hot pan, and then place on plates to create “spaghetti-style” mounds. Finish with a spoonful of mayonnaise.
Squid Carbonara
Sea Bass with Myrtle
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Ingredients (serves 4)

1 wild sea bass (1 kg)
A few sprigs of myrtle
Salt and pepper

This recipe captures all the essence and flavour of a Mediterranean summer holiday. From the first taste, this delicious dish delights the taste buds, eliciting the pure pleasure of savouring Italy’s unbeatable cuisine.

Method

Clean the sea bass, remove the scales and the gut the fish. Fillet and carefully bone the bass. Next, divide each fillet lengthways in two.
Lay the sprigs of myrtle on the steam grid of the Artisan steam accessory so that they almost cover it.
Arrange the four portions of sea bass fillet on top of the myrtle.
Place the Artisan steam accessory in the oven.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Cover with the glass lid, start the Pure Steam function, and cook for 25 minutes with 500 ml of water.

Serve straight away, seasoning with salt and pepper to taste. Wonderful when accompanied by steamed vegetables and mayonnaise.
Russian Salad with Scampi
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Ingredients (serves 4)
2 carrots
100 g peas
1 large potato
12 fresh scampi

For the mayonnaise:
2 eggs
300 g seed oil
Juice of ½ lemon
Salt and pepper

A new interpretation of an international culinary classic is always an ambitious idea. Each ingredient helps to transform this modern rendition into an elegant and sophisticated alternative, with scampi as the refined pièce de résistance.

Method
Clean and peel the carrots and potatoes and cut into small dice using the KitchenAid Artisan Food Processor.
Arrange the vegetables (including the peas) on the steam grid of the Artisan steam accessory.
Shell and remove the veins from the scampi and lay them on top of the vegetables. Now place the Artisan steam accessory in the oven.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Cover with the glass lid and set the Pure Steam function to cook for 12 minutes with half a litre of water. Make the mayonnaise in the traditional manner.
To serve, first place the vegetables on the plate, followed by the mayonnaise and finally the scampi.
Russian Salad with Scampi
Egg and Asparagus
Egg and Asparagus

Ingredients (serves 4)
8 eggs (including the shells)
20 asparagus
Salt
Pepper
Extra-virgin olive oil

A colour extravaganza. This dish may appear simple but it is the quality of the ingredients and the cooking times that make all the difference. It represents another reminder of the need to take time out and enjoy the pleasures of life by savouring nature’s little treasures.

Method

Arrange the asparagus and the whole eggs (taking care not to break the shells) on the steam grid of the Artisan steam accessory and place in the oven.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Cover with the glass lid, select Pure Steam and cook for 20 minutes with 1 litre of water.

Remove from the oven. The eggs will now be soft boiled and ready to peel.
Dish up the eggs together with the asparagus and season with salt and pepper and a drizzle of oil before serving.
Bread is a symbolic, almost magical food.

The smell of freshly-baked bread evokes happy memories and stirs powerful emotions.

With your new KitchenAid oven and its highly-specialised functions, you can explore the right way to prove dough and bake. Discover the satisfaction of creating different types of bread, pizza, fabulous focaccia and moreish grissini in the comfort of your own kitchen.

Take the pleasure of cooking to new height, and make your dining experience utterly unique.
Crunchy Crackers
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Ingredients

1 kg soft wheat flour (type “00”)
25 g yeast
500 g warm water
50 g lard
A pinch of salt
Oil

An alternative to bread for celebratory meals. This recipe reflects bygone days, when our grandmothers created epicurean magic with simple ingredients.

Method

Mix the flour, water and yeast together, adding the salt last, until you have a smooth, evenly mixed dough.

Leave the dough to rest in the oven (select the Rising mode from the Special Functions and set to 40°C) until it has doubled in size. Next roll it out into a thin sheet, and brush with the oil.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Set the professional Bakery function to the Thin Pizza mode, and cook at 210°C for 3-4 minutes.
Crunchy Crackers
Baguette
Baguette

The tradition of homemade bread. The aroma of golden crusty loaves wafting from the oven. The satisfaction of creating a true masterpiece of essential simplicity.

**Ingredients**

- 1 kg soft wheat flour (type “00”)
- 30 g brewer’s yeast
- ½ teaspoon sugar
- 350 ml water
- 2 teaspoons salt (20 g)
- 10 g lard

**Method**

Make the dough using half the flour, half the water and all of the yeast. Leave the dough to rest until it doubles in size (it is best if made the evening before).

Place in the Artisan food mixer, add the rest of the ingredients and mix for 5 minutes.

Leave the dough to rest once again until it doubles in size. Next form four baguette shapes each weighing 350 g.

Leave the dough to rest until it doubles in size (select the Rising mode from the Special Functions and set to 40°C).

Remove the baguettes from the oven as soon as they have risen. Set the oven to bake the baguettes.

**COOKING INSTRUCTIONS:** Select the Baguette mode from the professional Bakery functions and cook at 200°C for 20 minutes. Place in the oven when the oven indicates it is up to temperature.
Ricotta, Saffron, Lardo and Coffee Focaccia
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Ingredients

1 kg soft wheat flour (type “00")
300 g water
300 g milk
100 g lard
2 teaspoons salt (20 g)
A pinch of sugar
40 g brewer’s yeast
Extra-virgin olive oil

For the topping:
300 g fresh cow’s milk ricotta
A sachet of saffron
(to add colour to the ricotta)
20 slices of Italian lardo (or pork fat)
A pinch of coffee powder

This recipe features bold flavours and original pairings and is ideal for serving with aperitifs. The lard and milk create a soft focaccia with a perfect golden, crunchy base. The sweet saffron-scented ricotta and the rich, smooth flavour of the lardo add an edge of rustic authenticity. Coffee powder may be an unusual finishing touch yet its roasted aroma lends a sense of perfection to the entire creation.

Method

Mix all the focaccia ingredients together in the mixer until you have smooth, evenly mixed dough. As soon as it starts to wrap itself around the dough hook, remove the dough from the mixer and leave it to prove until it has doubled in size (select the Rising mode from the Special Functions and set to 40°C). Grease a baking sheet with extra-virgin olive oil. Roll out the dough, place on the baking sheet and put it back in the oven to prove until it has doubled in size.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Set the professional Bakery function to the Traditional Bread mode, and cook at 190°C for 10-12 minutes. After it has been cooking for 5-6 minutes, take out the baking sheet and turn the focaccia over. Place back in the oven until it is done. Mix the ricotta and saffron together in the blender and add salt if necessary. Fill a piping bag with the mixture. Garnish the focaccia with the ricotta, followed by the lardo and then sprinkle with the coffee powder.
Ricotta, Saffron, Lardo and Coffee Focaccia
Bacon and Vegetable Quiche
Bacon and Vegetable Quiche

Ingredients
(Two 16 cm round cake tins)

For the pastry:
250 g soft flour
25 g corn starch
1 egg
20 g egg yolks
30 g Grana Padano cheese
20 g almond flour
150 g butter
Salt to taste

For the filling:
4 eggs
160 ml cream
60 g Grana Padano cheese
(aged 18 months)
200 g sautéed vegetables
50 g bacon
Aromatic herbs to taste

Made with almond flour and corn starch, the shortcrust pastry base of this quiche is irresistibly crumbly with a delectable aroma, providing a splendid complement for the lusciously smooth flavour of the filling.

Method

Make the shortcrust pastry by mixing the eggs with the butter, which should first be softened to room temperature. Add the salt, followed by the flour, corn starch and Grana Padano cheese, and mix. Leave to rest in the fridge for 2 hours. Roll out the pastry to your preferred thickness (5 mm, if possible), place a sheet of greaseproof paper on the pastry and place some baking beads in the middle of the pastry case; this prevents the pastry from rising up as it bakes.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Select the Savoury Pie mode from the professional Bakery functions and bake at 170°C for 13-15 minutes until it is cooked but not golden brown. Take the pastry case out of the oven. Remove the baking beads and the greaseproof paper and leave to cool. To make the filling use the KitchenAid cordless hand blender to mix all the ingredients together. Lastly, add the sautéed vegetables with extra-virgin olive oil and salt.

Pour the mixture into the middle of the pastry case and bake in the oven using the Savoury Pie mode from the professional Bakery functions at 170°C for about 18 minutes.
There is an art to making pastries and cakes that demands more technical precision than any other culinary skill.

Your KitchenAid oven ensures precision performance with functions specially developed to suit every cooking method from proving to controlled baking.

Now you can make perfect shortcrust pastry, choux pastry, loaf cakes and sponge cakes time after time, and create sublime sweets and desserts.

The reliability and precision of KitchenAid technology will be with you every step of the way as you unleash your passion and creativity in the kitchen.
Choux Buns with Extra-virgin Olive Oil
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with Extra-virgin Olive Oil

Ingredients (serves 4)

160 ml milk
180 ml water
150 ml extra-virgin olive oil
A pinch of salt
½ teaspoon caster sugar
180 g flour
5 eggs

Made with olive oil instead of butter, these light, airy choux buns offer a Mediterranean interpretation of a classic recipe. Perfect with either a savoury or sweet filling, they can be served as a starter or dessert accompanied by appetising sauces or smooth, fluffy creams.

Method

Place the milk, oil and water in a saucepan and mix together. Bring to the boil, adding the salt and sugar.
Next add the flour – all in one go – and beat the mixture vigorously. Cook for about 3 minutes. Pour the mixture into the KitchenAid Artisan Stand Mixer and whisk at medium speed (4-5). Add the eggs one at a time and beat until you have a smooth, glossy paste. Place the mixture in a piping bag and create the classic choux buns.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Select the Pâte à Choux mode from the professional Pastry functions and cook at 160°C for 15 minutes.
Almond Cake
Almond Cake

Ingredients

440 g icing sugar
175 g soft wheat flour (type “00”)
175 g almond flour
Salt to taste
½ teaspoon baking powder
12 egg whites
230 g soft butter
Rind of 2 oranges
Rosemary

The orange rind adds a fragrant hint of citrus fruit while the almond flour makes this cake beautifully moist and dense so it simply melts in your mouth. Take time out to relax in the afternoon with a slice of almond cake and a nice hot cup of tea.

Method

Mix all the ingredients together and leave to rest overnight.
Grease and flour two 16 cm tins and pour the mixture into the tins.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Select the Plum Cake mode from the professional Pastry functions. Set the temperature to 180°C and bake for about 15 minutes. If a cocktail stick inserted in the middle comes out clean, the cake is done.

As the cake is made with almond flour and no egg yolks, it will be splendidly soft and slightly moist.
Chocolate Biscuits with Chocolate Cream
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Ingredients

For the biscuits:
110 g butter
35 g sugar
90 g demerara sugar
20 g desiccated coconut
1 teaspoon baking powder
125 g soft wheat flour (type “00”)
110 g dark chocolate
Salt to taste

For the chocolate cream:
250 g milk
5 g isinglass
425 g milk chocolate
30 g cocoa butter
50 g cream

Enjoy the timeless indulgence of chocolate with this decadent combination.

Method

BISCUITS
Mix the butter together with the white sugar and the demerara sugar in the stand mixer using the flat beater.
Melt the chocolate in the microwave and pour it slowly over the butter. Next, sieve in the flour and the salt and mix well.
Cut the biscuits into whatever shape you wish.
COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Select the Short Pastry mode from the professional Pastry functions, and bake at 160°C for 12 minutes.

CREAM
Melt the chocolate in the microwave.
Soften the isinglass in cold water and then drain.
Bring the milk to the boil, remove from the heat and mix in the isinglass. Pour the milk over the chocolate a little at a time, and mix until you have a perfectly glossy emulsion.
Blend in the cream all in one go.

Leave the mixture to rest in the fridge for 12 hours.
Spread the chocolate cream on the biscuits and serve with soft fruit.
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Zabaglione and Strawberries Au Gratin
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Ingredıents (serves 4)
8 egg yolks
100 g sugar
250 g sweet dessert wine (muscatel)
100 g strawberries

Rich, smooth zabaglione and sweet-scented, juicy strawberries all in one seductive dish.

Method
Over a bain-marie, beat the egg yolks with the sugar and the dessert wine for about 15 minutes, until you have a dense, compact mixture. You should be able to “write” on the cream with the whisk).
Divide the zabaglione out into dishes or bowls and arrange the finely sliced strawberries over the top.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Select the medium Tweligraph function and cook for 2 minutes or until the surface is golden brown.
Serve straight away and dust with icing sugar if you wish.
Make homemade yogurt, dry the finest vegetables or fruit and enhance and preserve the quality of carefully selected ingredients.

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Spiced Guanciale
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Ingredients (serves 4)

4 pork cheeks
Salt
Pepper
Spices (star anise, coriander, cinnamon, cloves)
Celery, carrots, onion.
30 g white wine
Vegetable stock

Star anise, coriander, cinnamon, cloves... the balmy, intoxicating aroma of this mix of spices is contrasted with a few sharper notes to emphasise the pork’s full, rich flavour. A dish this divine takes quite a while to cook so you need to be patient. However, your patience will be rewarded with an extravaganza of incredible flavours.

Method

Season the pork cheeks with salt and pepper. Sauté the meat in a pan over a high heat.
Next, arrange the meat in a deep ovenproof casserole dish and lower the heat. Add the spices, half an onion chopped into small pieces, celery and carrots.
Add the white wine and, once it has evaporated, cover with the vegetable stock.
Put the lid on the dish and place in the oven.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Select the Slow Cooking Meat function and cook at 90°C for 8 hours.
Next boil the cooking juices and reduce by half to create a delicious sauce. Carve the pork cheeks into slices, pour the reduced sauce over the meat and serve.
Candied Fennel
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Ingredients

3 fennel

For the syrup:

750 g water
500 g sugar

Now for something slightly different… finely sliced fragrant fennel dipped in a sugar syrup and dried until the slices are irresistibly crisp and crunchy. Excellent as a snack or a striking garnish for sweet or savoury dishes, such as baccalà mantecato (Venetian creamy whipped cod) or butter and anchovy canapés.

Method

Finely slice the fennel to just less than one millimetre thick. Boil the sugar in the water for 3 minutes until it forms a syrup that can be poured over the slices of fennel.

When the syrup has cooled, dry the fennel and arrange the slices on the drying grill. The grill should be protected with a sheet of greaseproof paper or a Silpat baking mat to prevent the caramelised sugar from sticking the fennel to the grill.

COOKING INSTRUCTIONS: Select the Drying mode from the special functions, and cook for 6/8 hours.