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## **Blackcurrant & Apple Amber Pie**

## Ingredients

2 cups Plain Flour
125g Unsalted Butter (chopped)
4 teaspoons Caster Sugar
1 large Egg, separated
2 teaspoons Lemon Juice
8-12 teaspoons Chilled Water

**FILLING** 

4-5 Cooking Apples
½ cup Sugar
Grated rind and juice of one Lemon
20g Unsalted Butter
2 large Eggs, separated
1/3 cup Caster Sugar
2/3 cup Blackcurrant Jelly

## Method

- 1. Preheat oven to 220 degrees centigrade.
- 2. For the pastry: Place flour and butter in food processor and mix until resembles breadcrumbs.
- 3. Add sugar, egg yolk and lemon juice. Mix 10 seconds.
- 4. Add 4 teaspoons water and mix 10 seconds, repeating until dough forms.
- 5. Wrap and chill 20 minutes.
- 6. For the filling: cook apples, lemon rind juice and sugar.
- 7. Puree in food processor with butter and egg yolks.
- 8. Pie: Roll out chilled pastry on floured surface and line 23cm flan tin.
- 9. Prick base and line with greaseproof paper and a layer of dried beans or rice
- 10. Reduce oven temperature to 180 degrees.
- 11. Spread blackcurrant jelly in base and spoon over apple mix.
- 12. Bake for 15 minutes.
- 13. Meanwhile whisk 3 egg whites in a clean bowl until stiff. Whisk sugar in gradually.
- 14. Swirl meringue mixture over apple mix and bake a further 15 minutes. Serve warm.