

Sift 100 g of flour into a bowl, and add 1 tsp of sugar. Blend the yeast with milk and water and add to sifted flour and sugar. Mix well and leave for 20-30mins (or until frothy).

Meanwhile mix the remaining flour, sugar, salt and currants in a seperate bowl and add to the yeast mixture with butter and a beaten egg. Mix to a soft dough. Turn out on to a floured board and knead for 5 mins (or until dough is smooth and no longer sticky). Cover and leave to rise until double in size.

Turn out onto a floured board, knead lightly and divide into 12 equal sized pieces. Shape into a bun and stand them well apart on a lightly buttered and floured baking tray. Cover and leave to rise for 30 mins . Bake in the centre of a hot oven (425F / 220C / Gas mark 7). Transfer to a wire rack to cool, and gently push a cherry into the top of each bun.


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