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MAPLE SYRUP BROWN BREAD

- 3∕4 Cup Rolled Oats
- 1 1/4 **Cups Boiling Water**
- Package Yeast 1
- Cup Warm Water 1⁄4
- 1⁄2 Cup Milk
- 1/3 Cup Maple Syrup
- Cup Sugar 1⁄4
- 1⁄4 Cup Butter
- 2 **Teaspoons Salt**
- 5 Cups All Purpose Flour
- 1 Cup Whole Wheat Flour
- $1/_{2}$ Cup Golden Raisins

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Combine oats with boiling water.
- 2. Cover and let stand until water is absorbed about 20 minutes.
- Dissolve yeast in ¼ cup warm water in a large bowl.
- 4. Let stand until bubbly about 5 minutes.
- 5. Combine milk, syrup, sugar, butter and salt in a small saucepan.
- 6. Heat over low heat until butter is melted.
- 7. Cool to lukewarm.
- 8. Stir milk mixture into yeast.
- 9. Stir in oats.
- 10. Mix in flour and raisins to make a stiff dough.
- 11. Turn onto a lightly floured surface. Knead until smooth and elastic about 10 minutes.
- 12. Place in a greased bowl, turning to coat all sides. Allow to rise for 1 ½ hours.
- 13. Punch dough down then divide in half.
- 14. Roll each half into a 16x8 inch rectangle.
- 15. Roll up, beginning at short edge, pinching ends together to seal.
- 16. Place in greased loaf pans and allow to rise, covered, for 1 ½ hours.
- 17. Heat oven to 375 degrees. Bake bread for 40 to 45 minutes.
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