

IRISH SODA BREAD

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Yield one loaf

NOTE: Cook on lower oven shelf, if browning too quickly place a piece of foil on the rack above

2 cups of all-purpose flour

1 tbsp. sugar

1 tsp. baking powder

$\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. baking soda

$\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt

$\frac{1}{4}$ cup butter

1/2 cup of raisins

1 tbsp. caraway seeds

1 cup of buttermilk

- Preheat oven to 375°
- In a large bowl, stir together the flour, sugar, baking powder, baking soda, and salt
- Using a fork, cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse meal
- Add raisins and caraway seeds and toss lightly
- Add buttermilk and toss mixture with a fork until all dry ingredients are moistened
- Dough will be very soft. Form dough into a ball and lightly knead on a floured board for 30 seconds or until smooth
- Shape dough into ball and place on a cookie sheet
- Cut a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch deep “X” with a sharp knife on top
- Bake for 45- 50 minutes or until golden brown.

