APPLE CRUMBLE

Serves 3 to 4

Ingredients

500g cooking apples
25g granulated sugar (to add to the apples)
100g plain flour
50g margarine
50g caster sugar (for the topping)



oven proof dish

Method

- 1. Prepare an oven, Gas 6 or 200°C. Lightly grease the oven proof dish.
- 2. Place the flour in a mixing bowl and rub in the margarine until the mixture looks like breadcrumbs.
- 3. Stir in the caster sugar.
- 4. Peel the apples. Cut into quarters and remove the core. Slice thinly.
- 5. Place the fruit in the oven proof dish sprinkling the granulated sugar between the layers.
- 6. Sprinkle the crumble mixture over the apple and level without pressing down.
- 7. Bake for 25 to 30 minutes until the apple is soft and the crumble golden brown.

Variations:

- the crumble topping can be made in a food processor. Fit the chopping blade and place flour, margarine and sugar in the bowl. Process for 1 to 2 minutes until fine crumbs are formed.
- use different varieties of fruit according to season. Rhubarb, plums, blackberries and black currants all make a good crumble.
- try to make the topping healthier or more interesting. Add 25g rolled oats, a few chopped nuts or use wholemeal flour.