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## **Baking Foundations: Homemade Bagels**

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Yield: 8 bagels

## **Ingredients:**

- 1 (2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-ounce) packet instant yeast
- 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cups lukewarm water
- 3 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cups bread flour
- 2 teaspoons granulated sugar
- 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> tsp. kosher salt
- 1 tablespoon dark brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 large egg white
- Toppings, as desired

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## Procedure:

- 1. In the bowl of a stand mixer fitted with a hook attachment, stir to combine the yeast and lukewarm water.
- 2. Add flour, sugar, and salt; knead until dough is smooth and supple, about 8 to 10 minutes.
- Remove bowl from mixer; cover with plastic wrap and let dough rise at room temperature for 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> to 2 hours or until doubled in size.
- 4. Line a standard baking sheet with parchment paper and coat with cooking spray.
- 5. Transfer dough to a clean surface and divide into 8 equal sections.
- Use your hands to roll each section into a 10-inch-long rope tapered on both ends.
- Link the ends of each rope to create a ring.
  Place your hand inside the ring and roll against the table to seal the seam.
- 8. Transfer all rings back to the baking sheet; cover and set aside.
- 9. Preheat oven to 450 F.
- 10. Bring a pot with at least 3 inches of water to a simmer.
- 11. Add brown sugar and baking soda and stir to combine. Reduce heat to low.
- 12. Add a few bagels at a time to the simmering liquid, cooking on one side for 1 minute, then flipping and cooking for 30 seconds. Repeat with remaining bagels, transferring them back to the baking sheet after boiling.
- 13. Brush the egg white over the bagels and top as desired.
- 14. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes on the center rack until they're a deep golden brown.
- 15. Serve warm.