



Easter Brioche

Makes: 5

Ingredients:

⅓ cup whole milk

 $\frac{1}{4}$ -oz. pkg. instant yeast

4 large eggs, divided

3 cups bread flour, plus additional

2 Tbsp. granulated sugar

1½ tsp. kosher salt

10 Tbsp. unsalted butter, softened

For the eggs:

4 white eggs

Boiling water

White vinegar

Gel food coloring

Confetti sprinkles

Optional glaze:

1/2 cup confectioners' sugar

1/2 tsp. vanilla extract

Milk, as needed

Method:

- 1. In the bowl of a stand mixer fitted with a hook attachment, mix whole milk, yeast, and 3 eggs to combine.
- 2. Add flour, sugar, and salt, and knead on medium speed for 4-6 minutes until a dough forms.
- 3. Slowly add 1 tablespoon of butter at a time, continuing to knead the dough until all butter has been added and the dough is smooth.
- 4. Cover the bowl with plastic wrap or a clean kitchen towel and set aside for 11/2-2 hours until doubled in volume.
- 5. Sprinkle a clean surface lightly with flour and divide dough into 5 sections.
- 6. Divide each section in half. Roll each piece to a 10-12" rope.
- 7. Twist two ropes together and link to create a bun. Repeat.
- 8. Transfer to a parchment-lined baking sheet, spacing apart.
- 9. Cover and let rise I hour.
- 10. When dough is almost ready, prepare eggs: Place a cup of boiling water in a heatproof bowl and add gel coloring as desired. Add 1 tsp. of vinegar and an egg or two. Repeat with as many colors as you'd like. Let stand 5-10 minutes until eggs have reached desired shade. Transfer to a paper towel-lined plate.
- 11. Brush buns with egg wash and sprinkle with confetti sprinkles. Place one egg in center of each.
- 12. Bake in a preheated 375 F oven for 16-18 minutes until golden brown.
- 13. Cool, then drizzle with optional glaze and serve.