Semolina Bread

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Semola gives this bread a beautiful rustic flavor and color!

Yield: 7 8oz loaves Prep Time: 24 hr Bake Time: 30 min

Ingredients:

- 5 and 1/3 cups (800g) Caputo Semola
- 1 and 1/3 cups (200g) Caputo "00" Chefs Flour
- 2 and 1/4 teaspoons (8g) Caputo Lievito Dry Yeast
- 2 and 1/3 cups (550g) cold water
- 1 and 3/4 tablespoons (30g) sea salt
- 1 and 1/2 tablespoons (30g) honey
- 2 tablespoons (25g) Olitalia Extra Virgin Olive Oil
- Sesame seeds, to top



Instructions:

- 1. Add the Caputo Semola, Caputo "00" Chef's Flour and Caputo Lievito Dry Yeast to your mixer using a dough hook attachment and mix for 2-3 minutes on the 1st speed.
- 2. Add the water and honey and mix on a slow speed for 5 minutes.
- 3. Stop the machine and allow the dough to rest for 30 minutes.
- 4. Restart the machine on a slow speed, then add your salt and mix for 3 minutes.
- 5. Add the Olitalia Extra Virgin Olive Oil and mix for 3 minutes or until the oil is incorporated in the dough and the dough starts to become smooth.
- 6. Leave your dough in the mixing bowl, cover with plastic or a damp rag, and let it rest for 30-40 minutes.
- 7. Once the dough has risen, use your fist to push out all the gases, cover with plastic again, and let it rest for another 30-40 minutes.
- 8. After the dough has risen for a second time, push all the gas out again and weigh the dough balls out to 10oz each for standard 6 inch heroes.
- 9. Place the dough balls in a tray and allow them to proof for 3-4 hours until doubled in size.
- 10. After the dough has risen, shape the dough into heroes, place them on a tray dusted with Caputo Semola, cover with plastic, and place them in the refrigerator overnight.
- 11. The following morning, preheat your oven to 450F, remove the dough from the refrigerator, and cover the dough with a damp rag and place in a warm spot until the heroes have doubled in size.
- 12. When the heroes have doubled in size, remove the wet rags, add an egg white wash on top of them,

coat them with sesame seeds, and score them using a bread lame or knife.

- 13. Place the tray in the oven and bake for 30-40 minutes. Remove the heroes once they are golden brown.
- 14. Let them rest on a cooling rack for 10 minutes, then enjoy!