EASY FLUFFY SCONES

Ingredients

1. 350g self-raising flour, plus more for dusting
2. ¼ tsp salt
3. 1 tsp baking powder
4. 85g cold butter, cut into cubes
5. 4 tbsp golden caster sugar
6. 150g pot natural full-fat yogurt
7. 4 tbsp full-fat milk
8. 1 tsp vanilla extract
9. 1 egg beaten with 1 tbsp milk, to glaze

Method

• Put a baking sheet in the oven at 220C/200C fan/gas 7. Put the flour, salt and baking powder into a food processor, then whizz in the butter until it disappears. Pulse in the sugar, tip into a large bowl, then make a well in the middle.

• Warm the yogurt, milk and vanilla together in the microwave for 1 min or in a pan; it should be hot and may well go a bit lumpy-looking. Tip into the bowl and quickly work into the flour mix using a cutlery knife. As soon as it’s all in, stop.

• Tip the dough onto a floured surface, then, with floured hands, fold the dough over a few times - just enough to create a smoothish dough. Press out to about 4cm/1½in thick, dip a 7cm cutter into more flour, then stamp out 4 rounds, flouring the cutter each time. Squash the remainder lightly together, then repeat until the dough is used up. Brush tops with egg wash, scatter flour over the hot sheet, then lift the scones on. Bake for 12 mins until risen and golden. Best eaten just-warm, or on the day.
Freezing tip
To freeze for up to a month, seal cold baked scones into freezer bags, squeezing out any air. Defrost at room temperature, then heat in a low oven for a few mins to perk them up.

Variations
Add 85g sultanas or chopped glacé cherries in with the sugar if you like.

233 kcalories, protein 5g, carbohydrate 36g, fat 9 g, saturated fat 5g, fibre 1g, sugar 9g, salt 0,8 g