Feuilletage "S"

Important point here is to do not allow the folding butter to melt. Make sure to prepare in a cool season, do not touch too much or too long and take enough time to rest the dough (The time written in recipes are usually the minimum).

		x0. 5	x0. 6	хl
DÉTREMPE	all-purpose flour	125 g	160 g	250 g
	granulated sugar	1/4 teaspoon	1/3 teaspoon	1/2 teaspoon
	salt	1/4 teaspoon	1/3 teaspoon	1/2 teaspoon
	water	70 ml	90 ml	140 ml
	(no need to be chilled)			
	butter (melt)	20 g	30 g	40 g
butter (for folding)		100 g	120 g	200 g

 $^{*23}x60(\sim 20x70)$ cm for x1, $15x45(\sim 20x35)$ cm for x0.5, $18x45(\sim 20x40)$ cm for x0.6.

- I. (Two nights before use) Make a DÉTREMPE and rest it in a refrigerator overnight (or more than half a day).
 - Cut two largish sheets of plastic wrap in advance.
 - 1. Put powders in a "23cm bowl", mix with a whisk.
 - 2. Prepare melted butter in a microwave (So that you can use right after water).
 - 3. Pour the water into the bowl and mix.
 - 4. Add melted butter (as a liquid, do not make it too hot) and mix.
 - 5. Knead lightly inside the bowl using a hand (Do not knead too much).
 - 6. Shape it into a ball, double-wrap in plastic wrap and rest it in a refrigerator overnight (or for more than half a day).

- II. (One day before use) Enclose the butter. "Folding in thirds twice and resting it for 1 hour" is a set, repeat 3 times. Rest it for more than 1 hour (overnight if possible) before use.
 - Make one large "Poli Sheet" in advance by cutting a "Pâte sucrée Poli", a very thick plastic bag, to form letter L shape (for folding butter).
 - Cut two largish sheets of plastic wrap in advance (for each set).
 - Scale the folding butter on plastic wrap and return to the refrigerator.
 - Place the butter in the "Poli Sheet" (Note that plastic wrap here is too weak).
 Make the butter be soften by beating with the rolling pin. Do that evenly by flipping, rotating and folding it. Roll the butter shape a square block (10cm sq. for x1) and refrigerate.
 - 2. Place the DÉTREMPE on a lightly floured tabletop and flour the DÉTREMPE lightly, too. Roll it out like a four-petal-flower, by moving the rolling pin up and down, right to left (x1 dough, within 18cm diamond).
 - 3. Place the squared butter on the center of the DÉTREMPE, fold and seal.
 - Roll the dough into a rectangle and fold in thirds.
 23x60(~20x70)cm for x1, 15x45(~20x35)cm for x0.5, 18x45(~20x40)cm for x0.6.
 Roll the dough evenly by flipping and rotating.
 - 5. Flip the dough over, rotate, roll it into a rectangle and fold in thirds again. Wrap in plastic wrap, place on a tray, cover with a "Pâte sucrée Poli", and rest it for 1 hour in the refrigerator. "Folding in thirds twice and resting it for 1 hour" is a set.

Do not stop between 1-5 even if you are in a hurry.

- 6. Repeat 4-5 (2nd set). Fold in thirds twice. Refrigerate for 1 hour.
- 7. Repeat 4-5 (3rd set). Fold in thirds twice and refrigerate for more than 1 hour, overnight if possible.

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This is a little more rational recipe which combined a method of basic bread. The ingredients are exactly the same. I recommend this way after the basic way.

Simple pies are the sweets that we, dairy lovers, butter lovers think delicious and rejoice. Small batch recipes like x0.5 or x0.6 could fit imported tasty butters such as *ECHIRE* (Probably the most common imported butter here and that might mean fresh!) or *OCCELLI* (If the timing is right). There is no difficulty forming a square with any non-square butters, even *ECHIRE* in a basket because we beat them with a rolling pin. It is easy if we use a "Poli Sheet" like making a Pâte sucrée.

Important point here is to do not allow the folding butter to melt. Make sure to prepare in a cool season, not to touch too much or too long and to let the dough rest longer (The time written in recipes are usually the minimum). Though it is possible to prepare Feuilletage even in summer when also a refrigerator tends to be warmer. Do with an air conditioner and a freezer (by setting a timer, say, for 5 minutes) if you can visualize the state of butter that depends on temperature. (Be aware that a marble tabletop, easy to roll a dough, keeps warmth for a long time and tends to be too warm after using a dishwasher underneath or after putting hot pots and pans on. Use some ice cubes to make it cool in such cases.)

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^{*}x1 needs around 65cm square space, $23x60(\sim 20x70)$ cm. Since small batch needs the same effort, it would be better to make x1. For larger batch, only $D\acute{E}TREMPE$ can be doubled. Thereafter, divide into x1 or under for the sake of space.

*x0.5 and x0.6 need smaller space, 15x45(~20x35)cm, 18x45(~20x40)cm each.

I. (Two nights before use) Make a DÉTREMPE and rest it in a refrigerator overnight (or more than half a day).

With this recipe, DÉTREMPE can be prepared in one medium bowl. Since it's very easy, just do quickly two nights beforehand.

- •Cut two largish sheets of plastic wrap in advance.
- Put powders in a "23cm bowl", mix with a whisk.
 No need to sift the flour 3 times as usual because the whisk works enough here.
- 2. Prepare melted butter in a microwave (So that you can use right after water).
- 3. Pour the water into the bowl and mix.
- 4. Add melted butter (as a liquid, do not make it too hot) and mix.

 Use melted butter soon because it spoils quickly (It can't hold overnight as the melted butter easily oxidizes and smells).
- 5. Knead lightly inside the bowl using a hand (No need to knead until the dough is smooth. It's enough if it can be formed into a ball.)
 Do not knead too much. If the surface is smooth, it's over-kneaded as a DÉTREMPE. Take longer time to rest, yet it may shrink a lot when it baked.
- 6. Shape it into a ball, double-wrap in plastic wrap and rest it in a refrigerator overnight (or for more than half a day).

Use quickly enough as this dough contains melted butter.

★Use a method of basic bread, but do not knead too much.

Putting powders first, liquid next, butter last, a kneading method using KitchenAid with the dough hook easily makes the dough be smooth (Note that butter oxidizes when it gets warm, so use small cold chunks of butter for long kneading). However, it's a little too much for hand kneading. Besides, there is no reason for kneading much for DÉTREMPE, or even should not because that makes too much gluten. Too much gluten not only makes rolling difficult, but also does harm when it is baked. Do not knead too much.

- II. (One day before use) Enclose the butter. "Folding in thirds twice and resting it for 1 hour" is a set, repeat 3 times. Rest it more than 1 hour (overnight if possible) before use.
 - Make one large "Poli Sheet" in advance by cutting a "Pâte sucrée Poli", a very thick plastic bag, to form letter L shape (for folding butter).
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 - Scale the folding butter on plastic wrap and return to the refrigerator.

 It is better to cut it as almost one chunk, but it does not matter if divided into some chunks because they will stick together by beating.
 - 1. Place the butter in the "Poli Sheet" (Note that plastic wrap here is dangerous as it will easily tear), make the butter be soften by beating with the rolling pin (never let it be melted). Do that evenly by flipping it over, rotating it and folding into half repeatedly. Roll the butter shape a square block (10cm sq. for x1) and refrigerate.

Before starting with butter on the front of the tabletop, place the *DÉTREMPE* temporarily on the back of the tabletop.

2. Place the DÉTREMPE on a lightly floured tabletop and flour the DÉTREMPE lightly, too. Roll it out like a four-petal-flower, by moving the rolling pin up and down, right to left (x1 dough, within 18cm diamond).

You may start by cutting like a "+", deeply, on the top, although it is not a must, which cuts unnecessary gluten.

Leave a mound in the center of four petals.

3. Place the squared butter on the center of the DÉTREMPE, fold and seal.

Make sure to enclose the folding butter completely with no unneeded air. Let corners be overlapped, and seal firmly by pinching the dough with fingers.

4. Roll the dough into a rectangle and fold it in thirds.

Start from flipping the dough over so that closed opening is down (It will slide and difficult to roll when the closed opening is up). Before rolling it out around 23x60(~20x70)cm for x1, beat and widen the dough with the rolling pin, as it is too hard to roll at first. If there is unnecessary air, remove air by piercing a bamboo skewer obliquely (It is to avoid unwanted rising when it baked).

Roll the dough evenly by flipping it over and by rotating (To let the dough move, make it wrapped with the rolling pin otherwise the dough stretches). If there is not enough length on a tabletop, add the width, just make the area be equal. $(x0.5 15x45(\sim 20x35)cm, x0.6 18x45(\sim 20x40)cm)$

5. Flip the dough over, rotate, roll it into a rectangle and fold in thirds again. Wrap in plastic wrap, place on a tray, cover with a "Pâte sucrée Poli" and rest it for 1 hour in the refrigerator. "Folding in thirds twice and resting for 1 hour" is a set.

Make sure not to arrow unnecessary air, here again. It's neat to place the dough temporarily on the back of the tabletop and clean up the front to wrap in plastic wrap.

Do not stop between 1-5 even if you are in a hurry. Taking a rest here ruins the dough with too thick butter.

- 6. Repeat 4-5 (2nd set). Fold in thirds twice. Refrigerate for 1 hour.
- 7. Repeat 4-5 (3rd set). Fold in thirds twice and refrigerate for more than 1 hour, overnight if possible.

If you are not going to use all in the very next day, it is better to cut the dough into 4 equal pieces here. Wrap airtight each dough in plastic warp (though it's not firm yet. Use a tray). Put them in a freezer bag and freeze.

To defrost, place the dough (just as much as you are going to use, say, 2 pieces of 1/4 cut) from the freezer to the refrigerator the previous night before use.

★The number of layers calculated.

 $\overline{129}$ layers, 3^6 , if I count butter layers only. $\underline{2187}$ layers, 3 times more than $\overline{129}$, as *feuilletage* is of dough, butter and dough layers!

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Imported Butter as Pastry Ingredients

I usually make pastries with Takachiho hakko bata (Takachiho fermentation, salt-

free butter), but on special occasions, with imported butter if possible.

Probably ECHIRE is the most common here and could mean fresh. Adjusting the

timing is the difficulty for others though there is a website of "Hi! Shokuzaishitu

Paris", which says there is a way to buy butter personally and directly. Shipping

fee within 2 kg from Paris is 1,500 yen (Note that it could be rather expensive

with extremely high import duty on butter), and which I'm not tried yet.

The situation is changing for the better.

· ECHIRE

Easy to buy constantly. I can always find one in Takashimaya or Mitsukoshi at

Nihonbashi. Main store is located at 5 minutes' walk from Kate Rose near Tokyo Station,

the flower shop where I buy class roses.

· OCCELLI

Sometimes, I receive an e-mail of reservation for this butter from Fermier, my best

cheese shop. The problem is that it's hard to buy one just at the right time. I

sometimes find one at Oisix, where I order daily foods to be delivered every week,

which is easier to put one in a cart. I buy OCCELLI when I have a plan for baking

sweets gifts within 2 weeks of arrival. 100g, a palm size, naturally formed.

· ISIGNY

The butter I tasted as breakfast at La Cell in Provence, might be this. I can find

one in Seijyo Ishii at Nihonbash but since shape changed, I'm not sure and not tried yet.

· GRAN FRRMAGE, BIO-GRASS-FED

I can always find one in Seijyo Ishii at Nihonbashi. I tried once and was not milky...

as I wanted. But it could be healthy.

PAMPLIE

Mr Marc Glaisse recommended this butter. I still not be able to find it at any of

my everyday stores. Though difficulty in availability is the neck, I'd like to try.

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 - 3. Place the butter on the center of the DÉTREMPE, fold and seal.
 - 4. Roll the dough into a rectangle, 23x60cm, and fold in thirds.
 - 5. Flip the dough over, roll it into a rectangle and fold in thirds. Wrap in plastic wrap, place on a tray, cover with a "Pâte sucrée Poli" and rest it for 1 hour in the refrigerator. (Don't stop between 1-5.)
 - 6. Repeat 4-5 (2nd set).
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