



Trans-seasonal tastes: Our favourite recipes as we move into spring

As the weather gets warmer and picnic season is upon us, trans-seasonal dishes are making a comeback. Not too heavy for winter and not too light for summer, these dishes are perfect for spring-time gatherings with friends or family. Discover our favourite dishes for those days and nights that are not too cold and not too hot.



Banana bread with raspberries and chocolate chips

Bananas and raspberries are year-round fruits that are good on their own. But they're great when added together in a moist and moreish banana bread with chocolate chips. The chocolate chips complement the tartness of the raspberries, while the bananas create a sweet (but not too sweet) foundation for these flavours to combine.

The [VarioSteam®](#) (added steam) function in NEFF's ovens allows the banana bread to stay extra moist while it's being baked, meaning that your banana bread won't be dry or crumbly once it's finished baking. Another great thing about the [VarioSteam®](#) function is that it gives the banana bread a glossy, golden crust, making your banana bread look as good as it will taste.



Potato gnocchi

Potato gnocchi is a dish that is the embodiment of spring-time Italian cooking. By blanching the gnocchi then sautéing it in the sage butter, you can create a crisp texture that leads into a pillowy texture when you bite into it. The sage butter and pine nuts add a distinctly earthy and aromatic taste, one that is perfect for those cooler spring nights. This potato gnocchi is the perfect dish for an intimate setting – think antipasto to kick start the night, a glass or two of fine Italian wine, and this potato gnocchi to top it all off.

When it comes to preparing the potatoes, NEFF's [CircoTherm®](#) function is a saviour as it cooks the potatoes to mashing perfection, but it also helps draw out the moisture. And if you have last minute guests arrive, then the [PowerBoost®](#) function can save you in a pinch – it expedites the oven's heating up process, so you don't have to worry about pre-heating your oven for potato preparation.



Pumpkin spice cupcakes

Perfect for the young and young at heart, these pumpkin spice cupcakes are an essential for any Halloween party or spring-time picnic. These cupcakes combine the classic flavours associated with pumpkin – cinnamon, ginger and nutmeg – creating a tantalising taste that will leave you and your guests wanting more. The sweetness of the pumpkin is balanced out by the aromatic and grounding flavours of the spices.

Preparing your pumpkin for these cupcakes is a breeze with NEFF's

[FullSteam](#) oven. By steaming the pumpkin, you can keep its vibrant colour and sweet flavours intact. The [CircoTherm](#)®, meanwhile, helps give the cupcakes an even bake, keeping them firm but not too hard and golden but not burnt. And the best part is that cooking these cupcakes in your NEFF oven can create a beautifully aromatic scent in your home.



[Sausage rolls](#)

Sausage rolls are an Australian staple for spring. They are the food of footy grand finals across the country, the perfect picnic snack, and an easy-to-make finger food for springtime parties. One of the greatest things about these sausage rolls, is that they are incredibly versatile. Got vegetarian friends or family? Then simply use vegetarian sausages instead of meat. Don't like spicy sausages? Then why not try honey-flavoured ones instead.

Of course, cooking your sausage rolls is an easy feat with NEFF's [CircoTherm](#)® function. As the oven gives your sausage rolls a crisp, even bake, you can say goodbye to soggy bottoms and hello to golden, crunchy, flaky goodness. Another great thing about the [CircoTherm](#)® is that it also gives the sausage that's wrapped in pastry an even cook too, meaning you'll have sausage rolls with a golden, crusty exterior and a tender, juicy inside.

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