3/27/17 Buttery Soft Philly Pretzels Recipe

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## BULLERY SOFE PHILLY PRECZELS RECIPE

## Ingredients

- 1½ cups cool water
- 1 tbsp. sugar
- 2 tsp. kosher salt
- 21/4 tsp. instant yeast
- 22 oz. all-purpose flour (about 4½ cups)
- 4 tbsp. unsalted butter melted, cooled to about room temperature
- Olive oil, for greasing the bowl

## For Finishing:

- Cooking spray
- 10 cups water
- 2/3 cup baking soda
- 1 egg yolk, beaten with 1 tbsp. water
- Pretzel (or kosher) salt
- Cherchies® Hot Banana Pepper Mustard, Cherchies®
   Champagne Mustard, or Cherchies® Cranberry Mustard

## Preparation

- 1. For the dough, in a small bowl combine the water and yeast and let rest for about a minute. Add sugar and salt to the yeast mix.
- In a large bowl combine flour, melted butter and yeast mixture.
   Knead mixture for about 5 minutes. You could also do this in a stand mixer fitted first with a paddle attachment to combine and then secondly with a dough hook on medium speed.
- 3. Transfer the dough to a large bowl lightly greased with olive oil, turning the dough once to coat. Cover with plastic wrap and let rise in a warm place, about 90 minutes or until doubled in bulk.
- 4. Preheat the oven to 450° F. Line two baking sheets with parchment paper or silicone mats. Bring the water and baking soda to a boil in a large saucepan or stockpot.
- 5. Divide dough into 12 equal pieces. One piece at a time, roll each segment into 24-inch long ropes.
- 6. Make a u-shape with the rope and holding the ends of the rope, cross them over each other and onto the bottom of the u-shape in order to form the shape of a pretzel. Place onto the parchment lined baking sheet. Repeat with the remaining pieces of dough.
- 7. Place the pretzels into the boiling water, 1 or 2 at a time, for 30 seconds. Remove from the water with a slotted skimmer and return to the baking sheet. Once all the pretzels have been boiled, brush the tops with the egg wash and sprinkle lightly with salt.
- 8. Bake in the preheated oven until dark golden brown, about 12-14 minutes. Transfer to a cooling rack for about 5 minutes before serving, if you can keep people away for that long! Serve with Cherchies Hot Banana Pepper Mustard.



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