Minka's Roll

Ingredients

- 1/2 cups warm milk, 110 degrees
- 2 teaspoons active dry yeast
- 1 cup sugar, plus a pinch
- 1 large egg, room temperature
- 1 large egg yolk
- 2 cups all-purpose flour, plus more for work surface
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 6 Tablespoons unsalted butter, plus more for bowl and muffin tin
- 1/4 pound bittersweet chocolate, very finely chopped or shaved
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon

SET ASIDES

Butter a large non reactive bowl for dough; set aside.

Butter a 12 cup muffin tin; set aside.

Directions

- 1. Pour warm milk into a small bowl. Sprinkle yeast and pinch of sugar over milk; let stand until foamy, about 5 minutes.
- 2. In a bowl, whisk together ½ cup sugar, 1 egg and 1 egg yolk. Add egg mixture to yeast mixture, and whisk to combine.
- 3. In the bowl of an electric mixer fitted with the paddle attachment, combine flour and salt. Add egg mixture, and beat on low speed until almost all the flour is incorporated.
- 4. Change to the dough hook. Add 3 tablespoons butter, and knead on low speed until flour mixture and butter are completely incorporated, about 10 minutes. Dough will be sticky.
- 5. Butter a large bowl. Place dough in bowl and cover with plastic wrap or a dish towel. Set aside in a warm place to rise until dough doubles in size, about 1 hour.

- 6. If dough is not in a warm area it may take longer to rise. A simple trick to help warm your dough-place a large pan of boiling water on the lowest rack in your oven and place bowl of dough on the next highest rack. This should help the dough rise.
- 7. Prepare filling- Place chocolate, remaining ¼ cup sugar, and cinnamon in a large bowl, and stir to combine. Add 3 tablespoons butter and toss to combine. Alternately, place chocolate, cinnamon and butter in food processor and pulse to combine. Set aside
- 8. Once dough has doubled, turn on to a well floured surface and deflate. Let dough rest for 5 minutes.
- 9. With rolling pin, roll dough into large rectangle shape. Sprinkle filling over dough; roll the dough into a log and slice into 2' pieces. Place each slice in muffin cup. Cover muffin tin with plastic and let sit for 15-20 minutes or until dough rises slightly.
- 10. Pre-heat oven to 350
- 11. Bake for approximately 12-15 minutes. Remove from oven and cool on wire rack.