The One Day Bake

Generally, I like baking sourdough bread over a two day span to give it a nice long fermentation. However, you can certainly squeeze it into one day if needed. If you follow my trick for an overnight ice water starter feeding and you've got a full day to give your bread some loving, you can pull off this one day bake no problem!

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10:00pm Feed Starter - remove most of the starter leaving at least 2 Tbsp, then The ice water will feed your starter with flour and ice cold water to slow down the activation give you an extra 2-4 hours of activation time so the starter 10:00pm Autolyse - mix flour and water together to form shaggy mass. will be ready to use when you wake up. 7:00am - Add Starter and Salt to the Dough - once the starter is fully activated, incorporate the starter and salt into the dough with the stretch and fold technique. 7:30am Stretch and Fold - perform a stretch and fold every 30 minutes for the next 2-2.5 hours until you feel the dough has developed a nice gluten structure. The bulk rise can take anywhere from 2-6 hours depending 9:30am Bulk Rise - Let the dough sit for the next few hours until it has risen by on your variables* so make sure you use 30-50% this process depends on the variables* listed above so use your intuition! your intuition and what you learned in 2:00pm Pre Shape - once your satisfied with your bulk rise, remove the dough onto a Sourdough U to floured surface and pre shape your loaves. decide if it's done bulk rising. 2:30pm Bench Rest- let the reshaped loaves bench rest for 30 minutes. 3:00pm Final Shaping - give your loaves a final shaping and place them in the proofing baskets. 3:00pm **Proofing** - place your proofing baskets in a plastic bag (or plastic wrap) and let Make sure it passes the poke test learned proof at room temperature in Sourdough U before you bake! 5:00pm - Preheat Oven - place your dutch oven pan in the oven at 500 Degrees Fahrenheit and preheat for at least 45 minutes. 5:00 - 7:00pm- Baking - Remove proofed loaves onto parchment paper or directly into the preheated dutch oven, score loaves then bake for 20 minutes with the lid on. Turn the oven down to 450, remove the lid on the dutch oven and continue bake for 20-30

minutes with lid off. Let the loaves cool completely before cutting.

Nine to Five Bake

For those of you who have jobs with standard 9-5 hours (or something close to that) you can still bake sourdough bread at home! With a few key process alternations I've created a sourdough baking guide to fit around your schedule so you can still produce incredible sourdough bread during the work week!

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Cold water should extend activation to 9 hours.		8:00am Feed Starter - Remove most of the starter leaving at least 2 Tbsp, then feed your starter with flour and ice cold water to slow down the activation process.
		8:00am Autolyse - Mix flour and water together to form shaggy mass.
		5:00pm - Add Starter and Salt to the Dough - Once the starter is fully activated, incorporate the starter and salt into the dough with the stretch and fold technique.
		5:30pm Stretch and Fold - Perform a stretch and fold round every 30 minutes for the next 2-2.5 hours until you feel the dough has developed a nice gluten structure.
Depending on variables, bulk rise could take 2-6 hours,	⁷ —	7:30pm Bulk Rise - Let the dough sit for the next few hours until it has risen by 30-50% this process depends on the variables* listed above so use your intuition!
place in fridge overnight if taking to long.		10:00pm Pre Shape - Once your satisfied with your bulk rise, remove the dough onto a floured surface and pre shape your loaves.
		10:00pm Bench Rest- Let the pre shaped loaves bench rest for 30 minutes.
		10:30pm Final Shaping - Give your loaves a final shaping and place them in the baskets.
You can continue to proof the loaf in the fridge for up to 20 hours if you	⁷	10:30pm Proofing - Place your proofing baskets in a plastic bag (or plastic wrap) and let put them the fridge to proof overnight.
want to bake your bread after you get home from work.	⁷ 🗆	7:00am Pre-heat Oven - Place your dutch oven pan in the oven at 500 Degrees Fahrenheit and preheat for at least 45 minutes.
		8:00am Baking - Remove proofed loaves onto parchment paper or directly into the preheated dutch oven, score loaves then bake for 20 minutes with the lid on. Turn the oven down to 450, remove the lid on the dutch oven and continue bake for 20-30 minutes with lid off. Let the loaves cool completely before cutting.

Flex Bake

For those who have a freelance schedule, have a day off, or just have an open day on the weekend, this is my ideal baking schedule without restrictions! Take these special days to really enjoy the process and hone in on your skills so baking becomes easier for when you have a tighter schedule.

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could take anywhere from 4-7 hours to activate depending on variables so adjust	8:00am Feed Starter - Remove most of the starter leaving at least 2 Tbsp, then feed your starter with flour and room temperature water.
	12:00pm Autolyse - Mix flour and water together to form shaggy mass.
times accordingly.	1:00pm Add Starter and Salt to the Dough - Once the starter is fully activated, incorporate the starter and salt into the dough with the stretch and fold technique.
	1:30pm Stretch and Fold - Perform a stretch and fold round every 30 minutes for the next 2-2.5 hours until you feel the dough has developed a nice gluten structure.
Depending on variables, bulk rise could take 2-6 hours, place in fridge	2:30pm Bulk Rise - Let the dough sit for the next few hours until it has risen by 30-50% this process depends on the variables* listed above so use your intuition!
overnight if it's taking to long to rise the proper amount.	5:30pm Pre Shape - Once your satisfied with your bulk rise, remove the dough onto a floured surface and pre shape your loaves.
	5:30pm Bench Rest- Let the reshaped loaves bench rest for 30 minutes.
.	6:00pm Final Shaping - Give your loaves a final shaping and place them in the proofing baskets.
If proofing at room temp, bake immediately after your dough is finished	6:00pm Proofing - Place your proofing baskets in a plastic bag (or plastic wrap) and let put them the fridge to proof overnight.
proofing (no fridge time). If proofing in the fridge, you can go up to 12-20 hours until	8:00am - Preheat Oven - Place your dutch oven pan in the oven at 500 Degrees Fahrenheit and preheat for at least 45 minutes.
baking.	9:00am- Baking - Remove proofed loaves onto parchment paper or directly into the preheated dutch oven, score loaves, then bake for 20 minutes with the lid on. Turn the oven down to 450, remove the lid on the dutch oven and continue bake for 20-30

minutes with lid off. Let the loaves cool completely before cutting.

The Nighthawk Baker

Im not much of a night person myself, but I know there are plenty of you out there who work best in the later hours. This checklist is perfect if you are either busy all day or you just love staying up later and getting things done (Works well for 9-5 schedule)

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Could take 4-7 hours for your starter to be fully activated.	$\langle \cdot \rangle$	3:00pm Feed Starter - Remove most of the starter leaving at least 2 Tbsp, then feed your starter with flour and room temperature water.
		7:00pm Autolyse - Mix flour and water together to form shaggy mass.
	∇	8:00pm - Add Starter and Salt to the Dough - Once the starter is fully activated, incorporate the starter and salt into the dough with the stretch and fold technique.
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	∇	12:30am Pre Shape - Once your satisfied with your bulk rise, remove the dough onto a floured surface and pre shape your loaves.
		12:30am Bench Rest - Let the reshaped loaves bench rest for 30 minutes.
You can either proof in the fridge for 10-16 hours or at room temp for 1-3 hours if you can stay up that late!		1:00am Final Shaping - Give your loaves a final shaping and place them in the proofing baskets.
	$\frac{1}{1}$	1:00am Proofing - Place your proofing baskets in a plastic bag (or plastic wrap) and let put them the fridge to proof overnight.
	\bigvee	1:00pm - Preheat Oven - Place your dutch oven pan in the oven at 500 Degrees Fahrenheit and preheat for at least 45 minutes.
		2:00pm- Baking - Remove proofed loaves onto parchment paper or directly into the preheated dutch oven, score loaves then bake for 20 minutes with the lid on. Turn the oven down to 450, remove the lid on the dutch oven and continue bake for 20-30 minutes with lid off. Let the loaves cool completely before cutting.

The Real Baker

Because of the extended process of making bread at home, real bakers tend to get up at the crack of dawn in order to produce fresh bread daily for their customers. I can't say I follow this exact schedule, but there is something magical about waking up early to bake bread. This is is also a great work around for a 9-5 schedule!

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