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Feedback, questions and answers. Here's what you said and what you wanted to know from the *dhm* team.

+ I've found a few double-yolked eggs in my free-range eggs lately. Are they considered as two eggs in recipes?

Michelle Gough, via email

Senior food editor, Steve, says: One double-yolked egg doesn't usually take the place of two eggs, as the egg is often still the same size as a normal egg. However, the higher proportion of yolk to eggwhite will give your recipe a richer flavour, which is great if you're making custard-based sweets. But if you're using only the eggwhites, such as in meringues, you may need to add another small egg.

+ What's the best way to store ham? I find mine becomes too moist after a few days in the fridge.

Annie Eggleton, Perth

Food editor, Kirsten, says: It's a good idea to buy ham on the bone, as it will keep for longer than sliced ham. You can buy 'ham bags' to store ham, otherwise, soak a clean tea towel with 2 parts water and 1 part white vinegar, squeeze the excess and use to cover the ham. Store in the fridge for up to 3 weeks. For sliced ham, place between sheets of non-stick baking paper, cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate.

+ How long is it safe to keep any leftover seafood from Christmas Day?

Greg Hosking, Brisbane

Senior food editor, Steve, says: If the seafood is freshly cooked, provided you place any leftovers in the fridge immediately, it will be safe to eat the next day. But if it has been out for more than one hour, it's best to throw it away. Remember, if you detect an odour, be sure to discard any leftovers.

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