

PREP: 60 min COOK: 20 min SERVES:12

Bunnicorn Cupcakes

What do you call a Unicorn crossed with a bunny? A bunnicorn, of course! Perfect for Easter, these deliciously rich chocolate cupcakes are topped with a pile of swirly rainbow buttercream.

Ingredients

Chocolate Cupcakes

1 ½ cups (225g) self-raising flour

1 ½ cups (225g) caster sugar

1 cup (120g) cocoa

1 cup (235g) sour cream

1 pinch salt

2 tsp Queen Madagascan Vanilla Bean Extract

6 ½ tbsp (130ml) vegetable oil

2 eggs

Unicorn Icing

2 packets of Queen Buttercream Icing1-2 tsp Queen Unicorn Flavour for Icing

Method - Bunny Ears (can be prepared up to five days ahead)

STEP 1

Remove one third of a packet of Dr. Oetker Ready to Roll Icing white and on a bench lightly dusted with icing sugar, knead until smooth and pliable. Seal remaining icing and store in an airtight container in the pantry for up to 8 weeks.

STED 2

Section off a quarter of the ball, and tint with pink colour using a toothpick, kneading until smooth. Roll each icing ball out until 3-4mm thick.

STEP 3

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Ingredients

Decoration

Queen Ready to Roll Icing White 1kg Icing Sugar

Queen Rose Pink Food Colour

Method - Bunny Ears (can be prepared up to five days ahead)

Cut out bunny ears from template and place on top, using a sharp knife to cut the inside & outside bunny ears. Remove any excess icing and top large white ears with pink ear pieces, using a dab of water to attach if needed. Gently curve the corner of a few ears, and then set aside to dry for 3-4 hours.

STEP 4

Use remaining fondant to cut triangles for bows. Once dry, carefully lift and store in a flat airtight container until ready to use. Do not store fondant in the fridge.

Method - Cupcakes

STEP 1

Preheat oven to 180°C (fan forced) and line a 12 cup cupcake tin with cases.

STEP 2

In a mixer, add all cupcake ingredients except eggs, mixing on low speed until combined. Add eggs one at a time, mixing well after each addition.

STEP 3

Divide batter into patty cases. Bake for 15-20 minutes or until an inserted skewer comes out clean. Allow to cool completely before icing.

Method - Icing

STEP 1

Prepare Buttercream Icing according to packet instructions, adding Queen Unicorn Flavour for Icing to taste.

STEP 2

Divide mixture between 4 small bowls and tint with Queen Food Colours to create yellow, pink, purple (mix blue & pink) and aqua, adding colour a drop at a time to achieve a pastel effect.

Method - Decoration

STEP 1

Using a piping bag with an open star tip, add icing to piping bag 1 tbsp at a time, alternating with each colour to create a patchwork effect.

STEP 2

Twist top of piping bag and holding upright, pipe from the outside to create double height rainbow buttercream swirls.

STEP 3

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Method - Decoration

Top with bunny ears and bow and store in an airtight container at room temperature before serving.

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