



PREP: 15 min  
COOK: 70 min  
SERVES: 10-12

## Gluten & Dairy Free Chocolate Cake

Unlike many gluten free recipes, this classic chocolate cake has a perfectly tender crumb with plenty of moisture. And vegan ganache? Say no more!

### Ingredients

#### Cake

- ¾ cup (80g) cocoa powder, sifted
- ¾ cup (160ml) boiling water
- 2 cups (200g) almond or hazelnut meal
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 4 large eggs, at room temperature
- 1 cup (220g) caster sugar
- 200ml neutral flavoured oil (canola, vegetable, light olive oil)
- 2 tsp Queen Natural Vanilla Extract

#### Ganache

- ½ cup (60g) cocoa powder, sifted

### Method - Cake

#### STEP 1

Preheat oven to 150°C (fan-forced). Grease and line a 20cm round cake tin with baking paper.

#### STEP 2

Place the cocoa in a medium bowl and gradually stir in the boiling water until smooth. Set aside to cool.

#### STEP 3

Sift together almond meal and baking powder. Set aside.

#### STEP 4

In the bowl of a stand mixer fitted with the whisk attachment or using a hand mixer. Beat together eggs, sugar, oil and Vanilla Extract on high speed for 5 minutes or until thick and pale. Add the cocoa mixture and mix just combined. Add the almond meal and baking powder and fold through until just combined.

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## Ingredients

- ¼ cup Queen Pure Maple Syrup
- 2 tbsp refined coconut oil, melted
- 1 tsp Queen Natural Vanilla Extract
- 1 tbsp dairy free milk (optional)

## Method - Cake

### STEP 5

Pour mixture into prepared tin and bake for 60-70 minutes or until an inserted skewer comes out with a few wet crumbs. Cool completely in tin.

## Method - Ganache

### STEP 1

Combine sifted cocoa, Maple Syrup, coconut oil and Vanilla Extract in a bowl. Mix until smooth. Add dairy free milk if any additional liquid is needed. Spread onto cooled cake and enjoy!

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