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Bad Biscuits & Cookie Pops

Materials

Cookie dough

250 g (2 cups) all-purpose flour

120 g (1 cup) Dutch-processed cocoa powder

1/2 tsp baking powder

1/2 tsp salt

224g (1 cup / 2 sticks) butter, softened

200g (1 cup) granulated sugar

1 egg (UK & Europe: M / US, CA,

AUS, NZ: L)

1 tsp vanilla extract

Decoration

melted white chocolate

Royal Icing

Packaging

small cellophane gift bags

black or dark blue ribbon

printable gift tags

Tools

2 large mixing blows

sieve

kitchen scale and/or measur-

ing cups and spoons

rubber spatula

cling film (plastic/saran wrap)

rolling pin

bat cookie cutter

small round cookie cutter (2.5

cm/1 in)

Let's bake bad bat biscuits! These biscuits have a tender, crumbly texture and a rich chocolaty flavour. We'll decorate them with white chocolate accents and show how you can turn them into lovely cookie pops. They make a handy gift for friends or family, and you can find the printable gift tags we used for this project at the end of this eBook.

Instructions

1) **Sift the dry ingredients**: Sift the flour, baking powder, and cocoa into a mixing bowl and add the salt.

Info: Use Dutch process or ultra-Dutched process cocoa to get super dark biscuits. You can prepare this recipe with natural cocoa as well but the biscuits will be lighter.

- 2) **Cream the sugar and butter:** Cream the butter and sugar until pale and fluffy. Add the egg and vanilla extract and stir until well incorporated. You can do this step by hand or use a mixer.
- 3) **Make the dough**: Add the dry ingredients to the butter-sugar mixture and stir until perfectly combined.
- 4) **Chill the dough**: Divide the dough into two equal portions and pat into flat disks with your hands. Wrap each disk in cling film and place in the fridge for an hour to chill and firm up.
- 5) **Preheat the oven**: While the dough is chilling, preheat the oven to 170 degrees Celsius, which is 325 degrees Fahrenheit or gas mark 3.
- 6) **Roll out the dough**: Place the dough on a non-stick baking mat, sprinkle the disk and the rolling pin lightly with cocoa and roll until 1/2 a centimetre or 1/4 inch thick. This dough is too soft to transfer it, so we need to cut out the biscuits directly on the mat. To avoid sticking, dip a bat cookie cutter in cocoa powder, then cut out individual biscuits and remove the excess dough. Repeat this process with the second disk. Save the scraps to make cookie pops.

Tip: Space the biscuits approximately 1 cm (1/2 in) apart.

7) **Bake and cool**: Place the mat on a baking tray and bake for 15 minutes. Allow the biscuits to cool on a wire rack for 30 minutes.



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Tools (continuation)

lollipop sticks
silicone or non-stick baking
mat
baking tray (sheet)
black and white paper straws

Prep Time

1 hour

Chilling Time

1 hour

Oven Temperature

170°C / 325°F / Gas Mark 3

Baking Time

15 minutes

Cooling Time

30 mintues

- 8) Make cookie pops: To make cookie pops, roll the remaining dough into logs and flatten them with your hands. Using a small round cutter, cut out cookies. Dip lollipops stick in egg white and press them into the middle of each round. Bake for 15 minutes and let cool.
- 9) **Decorate the biscuits**: Drip four small drops of melted white chocolate where the face of the bat should be. Using a toothpick, draw two of the drops into fangs. Allow the chocolate to set. To make cookie pops, add a little white chocolate to the prepared pops and attach a bat biscuit. Chill in the fridge until the chocolate has firmed up.
- 10) **Package & present:** To dress the cookie pops up, insert the lollipop sticks into pretty paper straws. Use additional chocolate as glue if the lollipops don't fit perfectly. Package the biscuits and cookie pops in small treat bags and decorate them with a ribbon and our gift tags. To display the cookie pops, pour sugar into a tall vase or jar and arrange the cookie pops to your liking.

Tip: For a pretty effect, cover the jar in decorative paper.

Printable Labels

Our printable gift tags will make your gift look extra special! Simply print the tags on DIN A4 (210 mm x 297 mm) or US Letter (8.5 in x 11 in) photo paper or card stock. Cut out the gift tags along the grey lines and use a single hole puncher to make small holes to thread a ribbon through.

Storage and Shelf Life

You can keep the biscuits in an airtight container at room temperature for two weeks or for 3 months in the freezer.

Video Tutorial

To watch the video tutorial, scan the QR code with your smartphone or enter the following link into your browser:

http://chcotta.ge/bl0043







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