The Salty Cove Bake Off!

Pip's Ship Shape Cupcakes!

Ask a grown up for help!



INGREDIENTS

110g butter, softened 110g caster sugar 110g plain flour

2 tsp baking powder

1/4 tsp salt

2 medium eggs

140g/Soz butter, softened

280g/10oz icing sugar

1-2 tbsp milk

a few drops blue food colouring

A packet of liquorice

1. The Cupcakes:

Get your grown up helper to preheat the oven to 180C/350F / Gas 4. Line a muffin tin with paper cases.

Put the butter and sugar in a bowl and beat until light and fluffy.

Sift the flour, baking powder and salt into the bowl.

Beat the eggs and add to the bowl. Beat until its just about combined then spoon the mixture into the paper cases.

Get your grown up helper to put the cakes in the oven to bake for 18 to 20 minutes until risen, golden and firm to the touch! (Careful its hot!)

Cool in the tin for 10 minutes, then transfer to a wire rack to cool completely.

2. Decorate: For the boats, separate the round wheel liquorice sweets and all the flat square shaped sweets. Ask your grown up helper to cut all the sweets in half. The circle wheel sweets will now be semi circles and the squares are now triangles, put these to one side to put on your iced cakes later.

For the buttercream, soften the butter in a large bowl by mixing. Add half the icing sugar and beat until smooth. Add the remaining icing sugar with one tablespoon of the milk, adding more milk if necessary, until the mixture is smooth and creamy. Place the two drops of blue food colouring into the mixture and blend together. Spoon the icing into a piping bag with a star nozzle, squeaze the bag gently and make a swirl on the cupcakes to look like waves in the sea. Now take your semi circle sweets and put one on each cupcake, See how they look like boats floating on the sea? Take the triangle sweets and with the remaining butter cream icing, paste a small amount on the bottom of the triangle and place on top of the boats, now they have sails! You can display them all on a nice colourful plate and all your cupcakes look like sail boats sailing in the big blue sea!

ENJOY!

