

CHOCOLATE ORANGE CARDAMOM BUNDT

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YOU'LL NEED

- 200g unsalted butter (plus extra for greasing)
- ▶ 200g dark chocolate (56% cocoa solids)
- ▶ 100ml coffee made with 5g instant coffee powder
- ▶ 2 tsp orange extract
- ▶ 110g plain flour
- ▶ 110g self-raising flour
- ▶ 35g cocoa powder (plus extra for the tin)
- ▶ 1/4 tsp bicarbonate of soda
- ▶ 200g light muscovado sugar
- ▶ 200g golden caster sugar
- ▶ 2 tsp ground cardamom
- Zest of 2 oranges
- ▶ 3 large eggs
- ▶ 100ml buttermilk



Method

- 1. Pre-heat the oven to 170°C (150°C for fan ovens). Grease a bundt tin and dust the inside thoroughly with cocoa powder.
- 2. Melt together the butter and chocolate over a low heat, then stir in the coffee and orange extract. Allow to cool slightly so it doesn't cook the eggs.
- 3. Sift together the flours, cocoa, bicarb, sugars and cardamom into a large bowl. Stir through the orange zest.
- Combine the eggs and buttermilk and pour into the large bowl. Mix to combine.
 Add the chocolate mixture and fold together until smooth.
- 5. Pour the mixture into the tin, leaving at least an inch or so clear at the top of the tin (it'll rise a lot!).

6. Bake for 50-60 minutes (or until a skewer comes out clean). Cool in the tin for 10 minutes before turning out onto a wire rack to cool completely.

For the ganache

- ▶ 150g dark chocolate, chopped
- ▶ 225g double cream
- ▶ 2 tsp orange extract
- Heat cream until nearly boiling, then pour over the chocolate and cover with a plate.
- 2. Leave for 5 minutes before stirring gently to make a smooth sauce.
- 3. Stir through the orange extract, and pour over the cake.