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AN ORIGINAL RECIPE BY LÉcole Gourmet Valrhona

Makes 15 cupcakes.

CUPCAKE BATTER

250g Eggs

75g Acacia honey

115g Sugar

120g Bread flour

25g COCOA POWDER

75g Almond flour

7g Baking powder

120g Heavy cream 36% 50g Chocolate liqueur

(optional) 105a Butter

55g ORIADO 60% chocolate

CHOCOLATE & ALMOND
AND HAZELNUT

PRALINÉ FILLING

600g 50% ALMOND & HAZELNUT PRALINÉ

195g ORIADO 60% chocolate

CUPCAKE BATTER

Mix together the eggs, honey and sugar without whisking.

Add the almond flour. Sift together the flour and **COCOA POWDER**, then sift into the mixture. Add the baking powder.

Stir in the heavy cream.

Add the chocolate liqueur (optional) and, finally, the melted **ORIADO 60%** chocolate and butter.

Pour approx. 60g of mix into the silicone cupcake molds. Cover with greaseproof paper and place 1 or 2 trays on top to make a weight (so the cake stays flat and will not rise too much in the oven).

Bake in a fan-assisted oven at 355°F (180°C) for approx. 15 minutes. Turn out once completely cooled.

CHOCOLATE & ALMOND AND HAZELNUT PRALINÉ FILLING

Mix the melted **ORIADO 60%** chocolate and the **ALMOND AND HAZELNUT PRALINÉ 50%**. Check that the temperature is between 113 and 118°F (45 and 48°C).

Cool in a bain-marie until it reaches 75°F (24°C).

Spread straight onto a silicone mat and leave to set for at least 3 hours at room temperature.

DECORATIONS

30g MIXED CRUNCHY PEARLS

30g Chopped hazelnuts

ASSEMBLY

When the **ALMOND AND HAZELNUT PRALINÉ** with **ORIADO 60%** chocolate has set, put it in a mixer and beat using the flat beater.

Stop as soon as the consistency is "pipable".

Put the praliné-chocolate mixture in a piping bag and make a nice swirl on each cupcake.

Garnish with MIXED CRUNCHY PEARLS and a few chopped hazelnuts.

Chef's tips

You can coat the base of the cupcake before piping out the beaten praliné.

You can switch **ORIADO 60%** chocolate for **CARAÏBE 66%** chocolate using exactly the same quantities.