

MINT AERO AND MALTESER TRAYBAKES

Let's sweeten things up this month with some really easy traybakes. These are two of my absolute favourites and are identical in the making, apart from (obviously) one uses Mint Aero Balls and the other Maltesers. Keep an eye out for a family bag on special offer in the shops, sometimes you can get a big bag for a pound! I haven't seen the Mint Aero with green bubbles on the inside for a while, however it tastes just the same.



You will need:

100g butter
 400g milk chocolate - use decent quality chocolate, not cooking chocolate
 3 tablespoons of Golden Syrup
 225g digestive biscuits
 225g of Mint Aero Balls (or Maltesers) + little extra for topping

If you can't find Mint Aero Balls just use the bars and cut each square in half.

You also need to line a baking tray with parchment, if not lined it is not going to come out easily!

Here we go:

Put the digestives into something like a clear freezer bag and bash them up with a rolling pin. They should be fine crumbs, not dust.

Place 200g of the chocolate, the syrup (dip the spoon in boiling water and it will be easier to measure) and the butter in a bowl. Melt over a bowl of boiling water, or microwave on a low setting until completely melted.

Once melted give it a quick mix then add the crushed digestives and either the Aero Balls or the Maltesers and mix together. Quickly spread out in the lined baking tray, then leave to completely cool. You can place in the fridge if you want to hurry it along.

Once cool and set, melt the remaining 200g of chocolate and pour/spread over the top. Before this sets, decorate with some crushed up Aero or Maltesers and again place in the fridge to set.

Once set, simply lift the whole thing out of the tray by gripping the parchment, place on a chopping board and cut into squares. Now store in a tin and put away out of sight, otherwise it just seems to vanish into thin air!!

Note: If you do manage to find Aero that has green bubbles, let the mix cool slightly and add the Aero last, that way the Aero doesn't completely melt and disappear but leaves nice green bits!