WEEK 1 Masterclass: Chef Lei Shang

ROSE MACAROON WITH RASPBERRY LOLLIPOP





Component 1:

Pink macaroon shell (can make about 15-25 small shell) – group of 4 setting

300g icing sugar

300g almond meal

110g egg white

300g sugar

70g water

110g fresh egg white

Sift the icing sugar and almond meal together into a large bowl.

Add **110g fresh egg white** to the dry ingredients and mix into a thick paste. Set aside.

In a saucepan, heat 300g sugar and 70g water to 118°C to make an Italian meringue.

When the syrup reaches **110°C**, start whipping the second **110g egg white** in a stand mixer on medium speed.

Once the syrup reaches **118°C**, pour it slowly into the whipping egg whites and continue mixing until it cools to about **40°C** and forms stiff, glossy peaks.

Fold the meringue into the almond mixture in two additions, gently mixing until the batter flows in thick ribbons.

Pipe small rounds onto a lined baking tray and tap the tray to release air bubbles.

Allow the macaron shells to rest at room temperature for **30-45 minutes** until a skin forms. Bake at **140°C** for **12-15 minutes**, then cool before filling.

Component 2:

Rose white chocolate ganache – group of 4 setting

220g milk

600g white chocolate

15g rose water

Rose petals

Heat 220g milk in a saucepan until just simmering.

Pour the hot milk over **600g white chocolate** and let sit for 1-2 minutes.

Stir gently until smooth.

Add 15g rose water and mix well.

Allow to cool and slightly thicken before using. Garnish with **rose petals** when assembling the macaron.

Component 3:

Raspberry cremeux – class setting (DEMO ONLY)

625g raspberry puree

175g egg yolk

225g eggs

150g sugar

300g butter

5g gelatine sheets

Bloom 5g gelatine sheets in cold water.

Whisk together 175g egg yolks, 225g whole eggs, and 150g sugar in a bowl.

Heat 625g raspberry purée in a saucepan until warm.

Temper the warm purée into the egg mixture, then return to the heat.

Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until the mixture thickens to 85°C.

Remove from heat and stir in the bloomed gelatine.

Allow to cool to **40°C**, then blend in **300g butter** until smooth.

Chill in the refrigerator before using.

Component 4:

Raspberry gel - group of 4 setting

500g raspberry puree

100g sugar

5 g agar agar

Heat **500g raspberry purée** and **100g sugar** in a saucepan.

Add **5g agar agar** and bring to a boil, stirring constantly.

Simmer for **1 minute**, then pour into a shallow container.

Let it set in the fridge, then blend until smooth.

Transfer to a piping bag for assembly.

Component 5:

Beetroot microwave sponge - class setting but individual cook

600g egg white

160g oil

140g beetroot powder

80g icing sugar

180g flour

4 salt

In a mixing bowl, whisk together 600g egg white, 160g oil, 140g beetroot powder, 80g icing sugar, 180g flour, and 4g salt until smooth.

Strain the mixture to remove any lumps.

Transfer to a siphon gun, charge with two gas cartridges, and shake well.

Pipe the batter into paper cups and microwave for **30-40 seconds** at full power.

Let the sponge cool upside down before removing from the cups.

Component 6:

Red chocolate coating glaze – class setting (DEMO ONLY)

1000 White chocolate

500 cocoa butter

Melt **1000g white chocolate** and **500g cocoa butter** together over a water bath or microwave.

Stir until fully combined and smooth.

Use warm for coating applications.

Component 7:

Meringue strips – group of 4 setting

100 egg white

200 sugar

Whip **100g egg white** to soft peaks.

Gradually add 200g sugar, whipping until stiff peaks form.

Pipe thin strips onto a lined baking tray.

Bake at **90°C** for **1-2 hours** until fully dried.