## **BBC** FOOD

## Chocolate meringues with chocolate cream

Ingredients

For the chocolate meringues

3 egg whites
150g/5½oz golden caster sugar
50g/2oz good quality dark chocolate, grated or finely chopped
2 tsp cocoa, sieved

For the cream

100g/3½oz chocolate 50ml/2fl oz double cream

Method

- 1. Preheat the oven to 140C/275F/Gas 1.
- 2. Line two baking trays with greaseproof paper.
- 3. In a clean, dry bowl whisk egg whites until soft peaks form.
- 4. Gradually whisk in the sugar until stiff peaks form.
- **5.** Stir together the chocolate and cocoa and fold gently into the meringue.
- **6.** Spoon tablespoons of the mixture onto the prepared trays and quickly put in the oven before the mixture loses volume.
- 7. Cook for 40 minutes.
- **8.** To make the cream, gently melt the chocolate with the cream in a small heavy-bottomed saucepan.
- 9. Pour into a bowl and allow to cool.
- **10.** To serve, make a 'sandwich' using two meringues and the chocolate cream as the filling.

Preparation time

less than 30 mins

Cooking time

30 mins to 1 hour

Serves

Makes 16-20 meringues

Recommended by

4 people

Dietary

Vegetarian

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