



# MALT GINGERBREAD PEOPLE

These morish little treats will have everyone asking for more. Recipe makes up to 25 people so there's plenty to share.

## **INGREDIENTS**

#### **Gingerbread People**

- 125g unsalted butter, softened
- 1/2 cup (175g) Saunders' Malt Extract
- 1/2 cup (110g) firmly packed brown sugar
- 1 egg yolk
- 2 & 1/2 cups (375g) plain flour
- 1 teaspoon bicarbonate of soda
- 3 teaspoons ground ginger
- 2 teaspoons mixed spice
- Assorted Iollies, to decorate

#### **Royal Icing**

- 1 egg white
- 1 & 1/4 cups (200g) pure icing sugar, sifted
- 1/2 teaspoon lemon juice, approximately

## METHOD

- Preheat the oven to 180°C (160°C fan-forced). Line 2-3 oven trays with baking paper.
- 2 Beat butter, Saunders' Malt Extract, sugar and egg yolk in a bowl with an electric mixer until smooth. Stir in the sifted dry ingredients in two batches.
- 3 Knead the dough on a lightly floured surface until smooth. Divide dough in half, cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate for 30 minutes.
- Roll dough between sheets of baking paper until 5mm thick. Cut into gingerbread shapes and transfer to prepared trays. Reroll excess dough.
- **5** Bake for 13-15 minutes or until just starting to colour around the edges. Cool on trays for 5 minutes then transfer to a wire rack to cool.
- 6 For the royal icing, beat the egg white in a bowl until foamy using a fork. Gradually beat in the icing sugar until combined. Stir in the lemon juice. Add a little more to achieve a piping consistency, if required. Spoon icing into a snap-lock bag and snip off 1 corner. Decorate Gingerbread People with icing and decorations. Set aside for 20 minutes or until set.

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