Royal recipe: How to make the winning Platinum Jubilee Pudding - 'it can't get any better'

THE PLATINUM PUDDING aired on TV in celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Here is the winning recipe?

Camilla announced the winner of the Platinum Pudding competition

<u>Camilla, Duchess of Cornwall</u> appeared at the very end of 'The Jubilee Pudding: 70 Years in the Baking' to announce the winner of the pudding competition. The competition was judged by many top chefs and bakers around the country. Jemma Melvin's Lemon Swiss Roll and Amaretti Trifle was awarded the title of Platinum Pudding for The Queen's Jubilee celebrations in a unanimous decision by judges.

The dish will become part of British food history, following in the footsteps of the Coronation Chicken and the Victoria Sponge.



INGREDIENTS

For the Swiss rolls

Four large free-range eggs 100g caster sugar, plus extra for dusting 100g self-raising flour, sieved Butter, for greasing

For the lemon curd

Four large free-range egg yolks 135g granulated sugar 85g salted butter, softened One lemon, zest only 80ml fresh lemon juice

For the St Clement's jelly

Six gelatine leaves Four unwaxed lemons Three oranges 150g golden caster sugar

For the custard

425ml double cream Three large free-range egg yolks 25g golden caster sugar One tbsp cornflour One tsp lemon extract

For the Amaretti biscuits

Two free-range egg whites 170g caster sugar 170g ground almonds One tbsp amaretto Butter or oil, for greasing

For the chunky mandarin coulis

Four x 397g tinned mandarins 45g caster sugar

For the jewelled chocolate bark

50g mixed peel One tbsp caster sugar (optional) 200g white chocolate, broken into pieces

To assemble:

600ml double cream

Method

To make the Swiss rolls, preheat the oven to 180 Celsius. Grease and line two Swiss roll tins with baking paper.

In a large bowl, beat the eggs and sugar together with an electric hand whisk for approximately five minutes. Using a metal spoon, gently fold in the flour. Divide between the two tins and bake for 10–12 minutes. Sprinkle some extra caster sugar on two sheets of baking paper then turn the sponges out onto the sugared paper. Peel off the paper from the underside and, while still warm, roll them both up from the short end into a tight spiral using the paper to help. Leave to cool.

To make the lemon curd, place the egg yolks, granulated sugar, butter, lemon zest and lemon juice in a glass bowl over a saucepan of simmering water. Whisk until combined and whisk continuously as the curd cooks until thickened. This should take about 15 minutes. Pour into a clean bowl and set aside to cool.

To make the St Clement's jelly, soak the gelatine leaves in cold water for five minutes to soften. Using a vegetable peeler, peel six strips from a lemon and six strips from an orange and put these into a saucepan with the sugar and 400ml water. Bring to a simmer over a medium heat, stirring occasionally until the sugar has dissolved. Remove from the heat and discard the peel. Squeeze the water out of the gelatine and stir into the pan until dissolved then leave to cool. Squeeze the lemons and oranges, so you have 150ml of both lemon and orange juice. Stir into the pan then strain the jelly through a fine sieve into a jug and chill until cool but not set.

To make the amaretti biscuits, preheat the oven to 180 Celsius. In a large bowl, beat the egg whites until firm. Mix the sugar and almonds gently into it. Add the amaretto and fold in gently until you have a smooth paste. Place some baking paper on a baking tray and lightly brush with butter or oil. Using a teaspoon, place small heaps of the mixture approximately two cm apart, as they will expand during cooking. Bake for approximately 15–20 minutes or until golden brown. Remove from the oven and set aside to cool.

To make the chunky mandarin coulis, strain two tins of mandarins. Discard the juice and put the fruit into a saucepan with the sugar and heat gently until broken down. Remove from the heat. In a small bowl, stir the arrowroot with two tablespoons cold water to make a paste, then add to the warm mandarins. Add the lemon juice and mix well before pouring into a large bowl. Strain the remaining two tins of mandarins and add the fruit to the bowl then leave to cool completely.

To make the jewelled chocolate bark, if the peel feels wet or sticky, roll in the caster sugar to absorb any moisture.

Melt the white chocolate in a bowl sitting over a saucepan of gently simmering water. Pour the white chocolate onto a baking tray lined with baking paper and scatter over the mixed peel. Leave to set then break into shards.

To assemble, unroll the cooled Swiss rolls and spread with the lemon curd. Roll back up again and slice one into 2.5cm slices and place upright around the bottom edge of the trifle dish so the swirl is visible.

Slice the other Swiss roll into thicker pieces and use these to fill the bottom of the dish, ensuring the top is roughly the same level as the slices that line the edge. Use off-cuts of sponge to fill any gaps.

Pour the St Clement's jelly over the Swiss roll layer and set it aside in the fridge to completely set. This will take approximately three hours.

Once set, pour over the custard then arrange a single layer of amaretti biscuits, keeping a few back for the top.

Pour over the mandarin coulis. In a large bowl, whip the double cream until soft peaks form then spoon this over the coulis.

Crumble over the reserved amaretti biscuits and decorate with the chocolate bark shards.

Serve, Enjoy.