



Hospitality and Catering

## Producing sponge cakes and scones

#### Lesson 5

Become competent in preparing, baking and serving sponge cakes for the hospitality and catering industry.



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## Basic scone recipe

- 350g self-raising flour, plus more for dusting
- ¼ tsp salt
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 85g butter, cut into cubes
- 3 tbsp caster sugar
- 175ml milk





# 'mise en place'

Weigh everything separately and turn the oven on.







# Sieveing

Sieve all the dry ingredients together into a bowl.

Scones use baking powder in the self raising flour as the raising agent.

No eggs are used for raising.





## Diced cold butter

Using cold butter cubes allows for a good 'crumb' after mixing with the flour.

Place the butter into the flour and use you hands or a slow setting on an electric mixer for the next stage.





# **Rubbing in**

With our finger we rub in the butter to the flour.

Hard butter makes this easier and we get large lumps.

Continue to 'rub in' until we have fine crumbs.





# Combining

Add the remaining milk, sugar and slowly combine together until it is a smooth dough.

Do not over mix as this will stop the scones from rising.





# Rolling

Using flour to 'dust' the bench and the dough to prevent sticking. Gently roll the dough until it is the correct thickness.

Scones can be 4-6cm thick.





# Cutting

Using a knife to cut even portions or a cutter for a specific shapes. Combine and roll any left-over dough.







#### Bake

- Place onto a grease tray, bake until risen and springy to touch.
- Once cooked place onto a cooling rack with a palette knife.
- Scones should have a slightly crisp shell, with a moist inside.





# **Revision Activity 5**

# What does the term 'rubbing in' mean when making scones?