VE Day Tea Party



Why not celebrate VE Day with a tea party?

Here are some suggestions on what to make:

Scones Recipe Ingredients

- 350g self-raising flour plus more for dusting
- 1/4 tsp spoon of salt
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 85g butter cut into cubes
- 3 tbsp caster sugar
- 175ml milk
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- Squeeze lemon juice
- Beaten egg to glaze
- Jam and clotted cream to serve

Method

1.Heat oven to 220C/fan 200C/gas 7.

2.Tip 350g self-raising flour into a large bowl with $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp salt and 1 tsp baking soda then mix.

3.Add 85g butter cubes, then rub in with your fingers until the mix looks like fine crumbs then stir in 3 tbsp caster sugar.

4.Put 175ml milk into a jug then heat in the microwave for about 30 seconds until warm, but not hot.

5.Add 1 tsp vanilla extract and a squeeze of lemon juice, then set aside for a moment.

6.Put a baking sheet in the oven.

7.Make a well in the dry mix, then add the liquid and combine it quickly with a cutlery knife – it will seem pretty wet at first.

8.Scatter some flour onto the work surface and tip the dough out. Dredge the dough and your hands with a little more flour, then fold the dough over 2-3 times until it's a little smoother. Pat into a round about 4cm deep.

9.Take a 5cm cutter (smooth-edged cutters tend to cut more cleanly, giving a better rise) and dip it into some flour. 10.Plunge into the dough, then repeat until you have four scones. You may need to press what's left of the dough back into a round to cut out another four.

11.Brush the tops with a beaten egg, then carefully place onto the hot baking tray.

12Bake for 10 mins until risen and golden on the top. Eat just warm or cold on the day of baking, generously topped with jam and clotted cream.

13. If freezing, freeze once cool. Defrost, then put in a low oven (about 160C/fan140C/gas 3) for a few mins to refresh.

14. Finally put the jam and clotted cream on and enjoy.

Finger Sandwiches

Fill your sandwich with ham, cheese, cucumber and egg, then cut them into triangles or rectangles.

Don't forget the Bunting!



