## SPICED CHOCOLATE SHORTBREAD



## Ingredients

- 1½ cups flour (1 used TIPO 00 flour)
- ½ cup rice flour
- ½ cup raw castor sugar
- 225g salted butter
- 1 tsp vanilla bean powder or paste
- 1 tbs cinnamon
- 1 tsp all spice
- 1/4 tsp sea salt
- 200g good quality milk chocolate, roughly chopped



## Method

- 1. Pre-heat your oven to 180 degrees celcius.
- 2. Line two large baking trays with baking paper and set aside.
- 3. Cream the butter and sugar together in a large bowl until light and fluffy.
- 4. Add the flour, rice flour, vanilla, salt, cinnamon, all spice and chocolate to the creamed butter and sugar.
- 5. Fold the ingredients together until just combined.
- 6. If you are baking the shortbread straight away\*, take the dough from the bowl and place onto a lightly floured surface.
- 7. Using a rolling pin, roll the dough out until it's about Icm thick, then cut the dough into 6cm rounds using a cookie cutter.
- 8. Place the shortbread rounds onto the pre-lined baking trays.
- 9. Place into the oven and bake at 180 celsius for 10mins until pale golden.
- 10. Remove the trays from the oven and leave the shortbreads to sit for about 5 minutes before placing on a wire rack to cool. Enjoy!
  - If you like, you can keep the dough in the fridge for a few days until you are ready to bake. Remember to allow the dough to come to room temperature before rolling and baking.

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