

# **Birthdays**

# Vanilla Cupcakes

## 18 servings 🕓 35 minutes



#### Ingredients

125g unsalted butter, melted and cooled 1½ cups (225g) self-raising (self-rising) flour, sifted 1 cup (220g) caster (superfine) sugar 2 teaspoons vanilla extract 1⁄2 teaspoon baking powder 2 free range eggs 1⁄2 cup (125ml) milk

<sup>3</sup>⁄<sub>4</sub> Cup (180ml) single (pouring) cream 375g white chocolate, grated or finely chopped 2 teaspoons vanilla bean paste

### Method

1. Place the butter, flour, sugar, vanilla, baking powder,

- eggs and milk in a large bowl and whisk until well combined.
- 2. Preheat the oven to 160°C. Line 18 x ½-cup-capacity (125ml) muffin tins with paper cases.
- Spoon the cake mixture into the tins and bake for 20– 25 minutes or until cooked when tested with a skewer. Transfer to wire racks to cool completely.
- Place the cream in a small saucepan over low heat.
  Cook, stirring occasionally, until hot but not boiling.
- Place the chocolate in a large bowl and add the cream.
  Stir once to remove any chocolate from the base of the bowl and set aside for 2 minutes. Stir the ganache gently until just combined. Refrigerate until just cool.
   Add the vanilla and whisk until soft peaks form. Spoon
  - the frosting into a piping bag fitted with a 1cm plain nozzle and pipe onto each cupcake to serve