

Delightful Tea Bake School, Southend-on-Sea

Baking, Patisserie & Sugar Craft Course Guide

Half Day Classes

Victoria Sponge & Jam Making

A fun and relaxed way to master this classic British teatime treat and includes jam-making too. This class runs during the British strawberry season only

Hello Cupcake!

Our introduction to the world of cupcakes starts with making delicious mini sponges, before creating sugar craft decorations and piping with buttercream

Teatime Baking for Beginners

Making crumbly all-butter shortbread and wonderful fruited scones are what's in store in this teatime classics class

Full Day Classes

Bread Making for Beginners

Start your bread making journey with us, where we will show you how to work with yeasted doughs, making tin loaves and cinnamon rolls, as well as a nifty yeast-free soda bread for when you're short on time

French Bread Making

Try your hand at a range of classic French-style breads – that's brioche, baguettes and fougasse. Who needs the boulangerie?

Italian Bread Making

Master some of our most loved favourites – ciabatta, focaccia and proper pizza dough. You'll never want to call for take away again!

Croissants & Pains au Chocolat

Fancy a challenge? Make your own flaky French-style pastries and learn all about how those layers are achieved first hand. We promise that the effort is worth it!

Bagels & Pretzels Making

Something a little different – learn to prepare, shape and bake these deliciously satisfying European breads

Doughnuts & Churros Making

There's nothing naughtier nor nicer than a proper deep-fried doughnut filled with jam – aside from a perfectly crisp yet tender Spanish-style churro of course! Make both in this doughy dream of a class

Introduction to Macaron Making

Recreate one of the highlights of the patisserie by learning to master these divas of the cake world; learn the skill of making perfectly crisp yet chewy-centred macarons yourself

Retro Biscuit Baking

Custard creams, jammy dodgers and iced party rings – three superstars of the biscuit tin and so much better when made lovingly by hand!

Mastering Swiss Meringue Buttercream Techniques

This class is all about using silky smooth SMBC to fill, ice and adorn your cakes with eye-catching hand-piped florals and leaves

Cake Decorating & Modelling with Xenia's Cake Creations

Nail your cake skills with this fabulous class which includes cake filling, crumbcoating and covering as well as entry-level sugarpaste modelling skills. Perfect for newbies or those wanting to brush up

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Multi-Day Courses

Complete Introduction to Baking

Looking to begin your baking journey or refresh those rusty skills a little? This comprehensive course covers pastry making, bread making, cakes and cookies – you'll be amazed at what you produce over this two-day course

Perfect Your Patisserie

Enhance your baking skills with this insight into the intricate processes and practices of patisserie. You will learn a wide variety of techniques to create three types of delicious and impressive afternoon tea fancies

Seasonal Courses

Christmas Classics Making & Baking Day

Get into the festive spirit making your own Christmas cake, mince pies, stollen and more!

Mince Pie Making

Make your own pastry and sweet and zesty mincemeat filling during this short yuletide course

Buche de Noel

Not a Christmas pudding fan? Love decadent chocolate? Come along and make a fabulous seasonal showstopper with no dried fruit in sight!

Festive Sugar Modelling

Perfect for beginners and just for fun, make a selection of cute sugar paste cake toppers to adorn your festive centre-piece

Short Evening Courses

A selection of bite-sized classes from 6.30pm, including Teatime Treats for Beginners, Hello Cupcake! and more

Coming Soon!

Introduction to Royal Icing

Get to grips with royal icing techniques in our beginners' guide, covering piping and brush embroidery to create pretty floral effects and motifs

Aside from all this, we also offer:

- School holiday classes for younger children to enjoy with parents or guardians
- Private tuition for individuals and groups
- School group activities
- Corporate team building activities
- Hen party events

Our courses also make the perfect gift – vouchers available to buy online or just give us a call on 01702 742343!