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Seasons' Eatings!
From Halloween to
Christmas, BAKO has
you covered



Spice up your Counter
Save on our warming BAKO
Select Red Thai Slice:
10% Off this Month!

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Dear Customer,

October is here, and with it comes the excitement of two of the most festive occasions of the year! As the leaves turn golden and the air becomes crisp, bakers everywhere are preparing for the spooky fun of Halloween, with ghoulishly good treats, themed cakes, and autumnal flavours taking centre stage.

But it doesn't stop there—Christmas is just around the corner! Now is the time to start planning and preparing for the busiest season in the baking calendar. From indulgent festive bakes to classic favourites like mince pies and stollen, we've got everything you need to make the run-up to Christmas truly spectacular.

In this issue, you'll find plenty of inspiration and tips to make the most of both Halloween and the early Christmas rush. Of course there are plenty of opportunities to save too, with special promotions from brands like Bridor, Dawn, Bakels and BAKO Select

As BAKO's 60th year celebrations enters the final stretch, our own intrepid mountaineers are ready to jet off to attempt the Climb of a Lifetime- summiting Mount Kilimanjaro! Show your support by going to page 12 to learn more and donate to our Dementia UK fundraising efforts.

Let's get baking and make October a month to remember!

See you next time!





Be sure to check out our In the Mix magazine each month for further details and how to get involved in our 60th activities- you could be one of our lucky Birthday winners!

Month Details of what's happening

Nov Golden Ticket

Dec BAKO officially turns 60!

Halloween 2024

EPIBLE DECORATIONS

800g

1kg

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1kg

24080	Truly Halloween Glimmer Shapes
24081	Truly Halloween Strands
24082	Truly Halloween Matt 100's & 1000's
24083	Truly Wicked Polished Pearls 4mm
24084	Truly Wizard Sprinkletti with Choco Balls

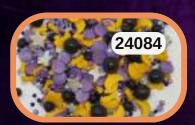
Upgrade your Bakes for the Halloween Season













92371	Culpitts Assorted Halloween Sugar Pipings 25mm
92374	Culpitts Black Sugar Bats 37mm
92377	Culpitts Halloween Jumper Sugarettes 60x70mm
92372	Culpitts Spooky Halloween Sugarettes 30mm
92373	Culpitts Halloween Button Sugar Pipings 25mm

x250 x450 x80 x256 x240 **92374**







92373

THAWE SERVE CONFECTIONERY

82696

Baker & Baker Cocoa Creme Filled
Halloween Ring Doughnut 48x74g







As Halloween 2024 creeps around the corner, bakeries have a golden opportunity to stand out with creative, spooky, and delicious treats. This year's trends blend eerie elegance, nostalgia, and sustainability, making it easy for bakeries to captivate their customers and increase sales.

Here's a look at the hottest Halloween baking trends and how they can benefit your bakery and your customers!

Black Velvet Elegance

Bakeries can add an element of dark sophistication with black velvet cakes and cupcakes. Using black cocoa powder to create rich, black layers, these cakes are not only visually striking but also irresistibly delicious.

Horror Film-Themed Treats

Nostalgia is big in 2024, and horror film-inspired treats are an exciting way to tap into that trend. Imagine selling Freddy Krueger claw cupcakes, Beetlejuice brownies or Frankenstein cake pops. Offering these themed goodies can attract customers who are planning Halloween movie marathons or fans of classic horror flicks.

Spiderweb Drip Cakes

Spiderweb drip cakes combine the ever-popular drip cake trend with Halloween vibes. Bakeries can offer customised cakes with chocolate or caramel drips and intricate spiderweb designs. These cakes are perfect for parties, and customers will appreciate the balance between visual appeal and delicious flavour.

Sustainable and Plant-Based Treats

Eco-conscious consumers are increasingly seeking sustainable and plant-based options. Bakeries can meet this demand with zero-waste recipes and plant-based ingredients. Vegan pumpkin spice cookies, gluten-free brownies, and dairy-free cakes are just a few options that will satisfy your health-conscious and environmentally aware customers.

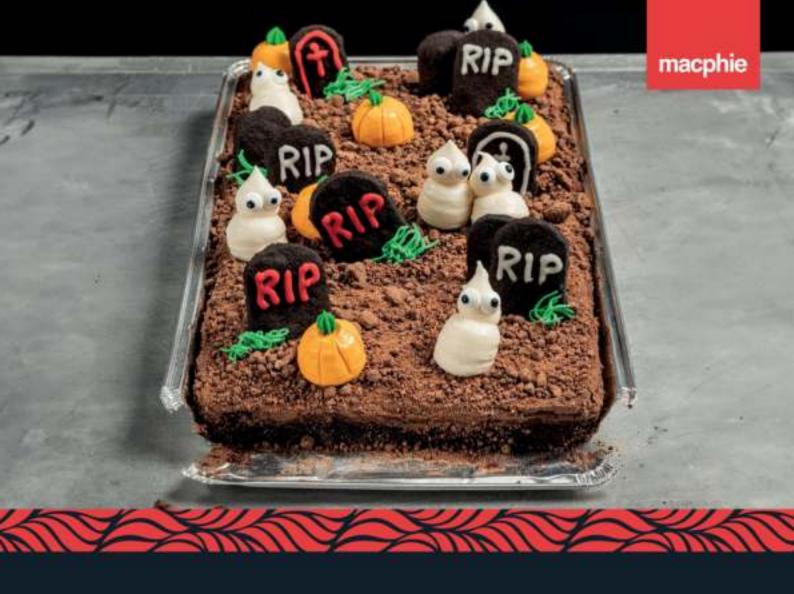
Classic Treats with a Spooky Twist

Halloween 2024 presents an exciting opportunity for bakeries to get creative, deliver unforgettable customer experiences, and enhance their product offerings. From eerie elegance to playful monsters, there's something for every bakery and every customer!

By incorporating these Halloween baking trends, bakeries can attract new customers, increase engagement, cater to eco-conscious consumers whilst boosting sales.

At Bako, we're here to help you get into the Halloween spirit, so explore our range of high-quality ingredients, that are perfect for bringing these spooky treats to life by giving us a call on 0808 196 2344 or heading online at www.bako.co.uk





SPOOKTACULAR IDEAS

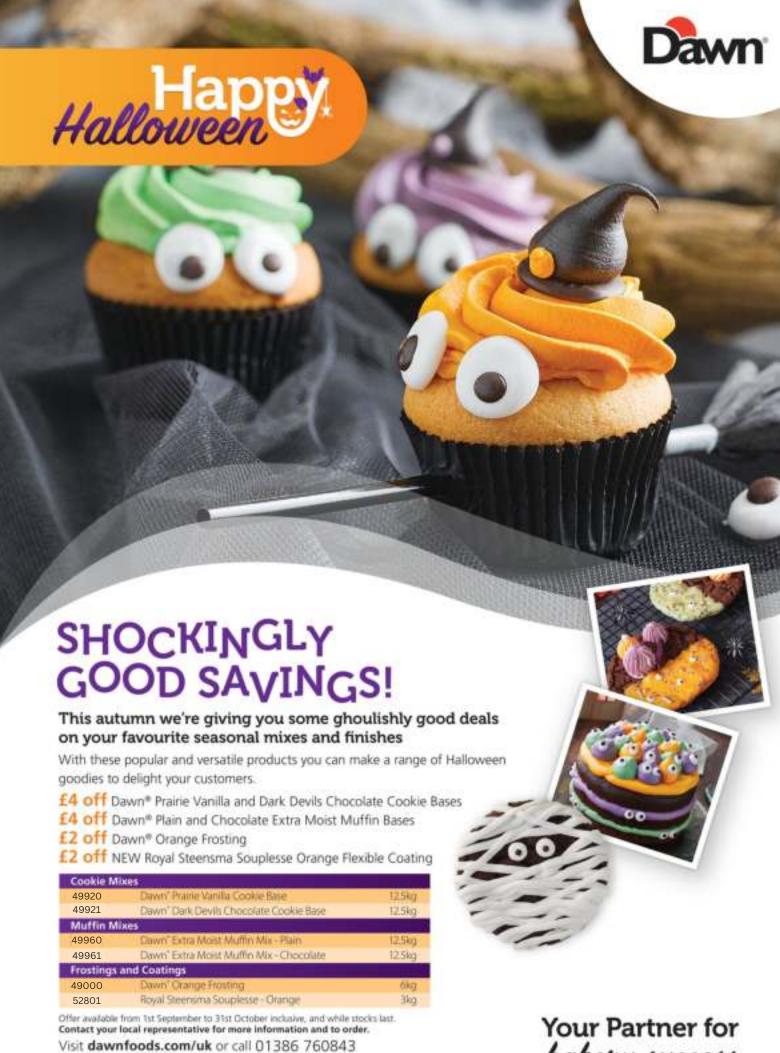
TRICKS 'N TREATS

The spooky season can bring some significant sales increases, if you know how to make it count. Luckily, you don't need to be a wizard to make a wide range of tempting Halloween treats with minimum ingredients and effort. All you need is a multi-use mix from Macphie. It works like magic!

To make these Halloween loaded brownies you will need Macphie Browie Mix (44439), Chocolate Frosting (44455), Vanilla Frosting (44457), Shortbread Mix (44242) & 5th Avenue® White Icing (44408)

For the full recipe & more spooktacular ideas scan the QR code









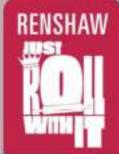


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Bakels Multimix Cake Base produced amazing cupcakes for these frightfully good Halloween treats.

Also checkout Renshaw 'Just Roll With It' Fondant Icing, available in over 20 colours available

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Vegan Red Thai Slice

Butternut squash, green beans, onions, carrots & red peppers, cooked & seasoned with Thai spices, wrapped in puff pastry.

Product Code: 93170

36 x 175g Frozen - unbaked

Offer your customers the perfectly spiced, warming slice as we head into the colder months.

10% OFF

During October 2024

Quality you can rely on

BAKO SELECT Create your own Sticky Marmalade **Loaf Cakes BAKO** Ingredients Code BAKO Plain Creme Cake Mix 1kg 22103 350g 94045 BAKO Liquid Egg BAKO Rapeseed Oil 12019 300g Water 50ml Marmalade 250g Rind of x1 Orange aprox 10g To Finish Marmalade as desired Peel of x1 Orange Juice of x2 Oranges (used for rind and peel) Yields x6 350g Loaf Cakes Method

- Place the crème cake mix into a mixing bowl fitted with a beater.
- Combine all the liquids and add over 1 minute on speed 1.
- Scrape down & mix for 3 minutes on speed 2
- Fold in marmalade and orange rind over 1 minute on 1st speed
- Deposit into loaf cakes as desired / approx. 350g
- Bake at 170c for approximately 40 45 minutes or until cake is set
- On removal from the oven, whilst cakes are still warm, drizzle the juice from the two oranges evenly over all the cakes
- Allow to cool.
- Brush with heated marmalade and decorate with orange rind

BAKO Marzipan

An almond paste made using a blend of sweet and bitter almonds, with added humectant and preservative. Neutral Marzipan is perfect for covering cake, create decorative models or as an added layer underneath icing.

Golden Marzipan 38131

4x2.5kg

Neutral Marzipan 38132

4x2.5kg



BAKO Spices

Ground Ginger

Ground, Dried & Heat Treated Ginger.

94107

2kg

Ground Nutmeg

Ground, Dried & Steam Treated Nutmeg

94128

2.5kg

Golden Cinnamon

Ground, Dried & Heat Treated Cassia Ginger.

94129

2kg



Christmas 2024

Edible Decorations

92385	Culpitt Holly & Berry 20mm	x250
92383	Culpitt Christmas Penguins 25mm	x200
92388	Culpitt Light Green Holly & Berry 24mm	n x370
91164	Culpitt Sweet Melt Carrot 25mm	x260
92748	Culpitt Santa Heads 35mm	x196
92387	Culpitt Christmas Friend 25mm	x200
92389	Culpitt Elf Jacket Plaques 60mm	x160
92897	Culpitt Gingerbread Plaques 75x163mn	n x72
24087	Truly Twinkle Polished Pearls	1kg
24088	Truly Merry Berry Sprinkletti	1kg
24089	Truly Mulled Wine Sprinkletti & Choco Balls	1kg
24090	Truly Glimmer Christmas Trees	800g







Frozen Joufethouery



81842 Mixed Box of Christmas Tree & Hazelnut Filled Star DOTS Doughnuts 32x 65g



81844 Baker & Baker Creamy Cocoa Filled Christmas Ring Doughnut 48x74g



81858 Unbaked Shallow Mince Pie 189x67g

The Climb of a Lifetime



"Speaking on behalf of the team,
we can't wait to get going and are all
feeling incredibly proud and excited to
be taking on such a challenge in
support of this incredible charity."

Marta Skomoroko BAKO Specification Technologist



As part of our celebrations of BAKO's 60th year as the Key Ingredient to the Food Industry, we are undertaking an incredible team challenge-to take on the summit of **Mount Kilimanjaro**, with the goal of raising £60,000 for our charity partner Dementia UK!

We can now reveal our intrepid team of four – Marta Skomoroko, lan Best, Joanna Walaszczyk & Lucy John (pictured) – who are set to jet take on a challenging Mount Kilimanjaro trek **this month**, led by the Kilimanjaro Climbing Company.

GOOD LUCK TEAM BAKO!



Please help us reach our £60,000 total fundraising goal by scanning the Just Giving QR code below





DementiaUK





"...it's never too early for a Christmas treat"







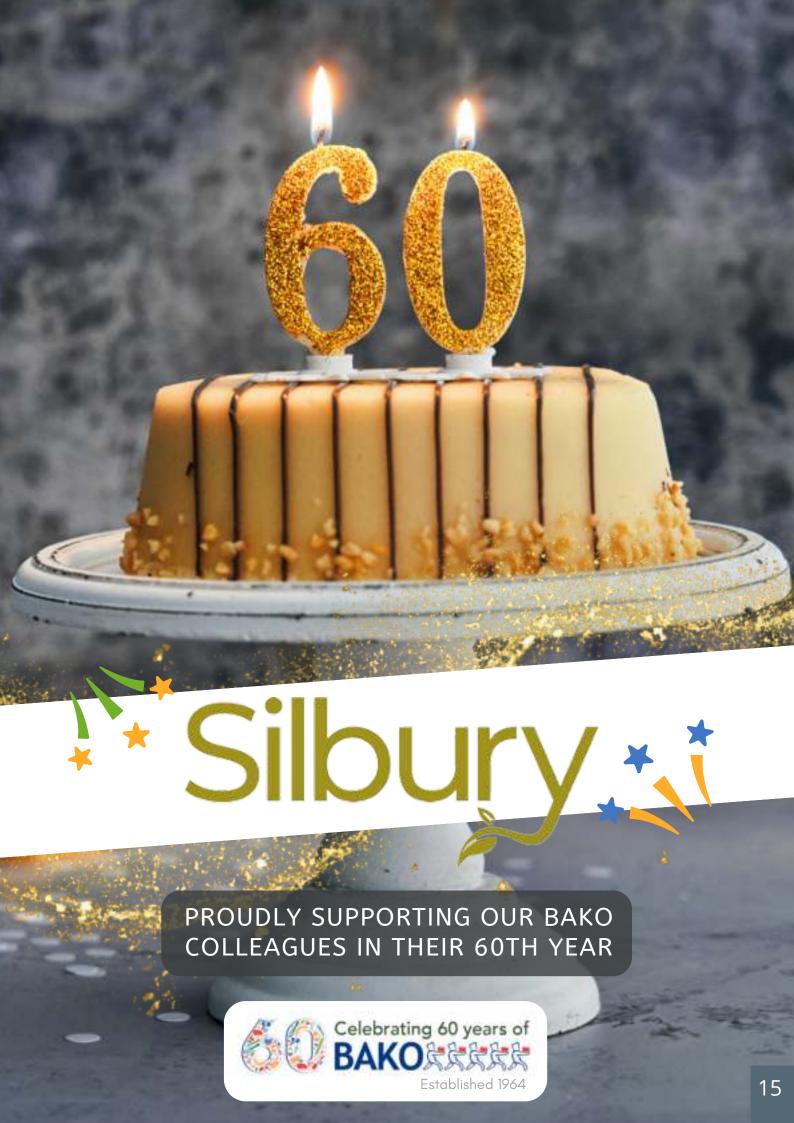
Almond Croissant



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OF THE WORLD

20%
OFF
October 2024







Meet The Bakers

MCCALLS BAKERS & CONFECTIONERS

This month, Meet The Bakers travels to Carlisle to speak with Mally Mcall, finding out more about the continued success of this family-run local favourite as they mark their 40th year in business.

We met with baker and longstanding BAKO customer Malcolm 'Mally' McCall and the team, accompanied by their BAKO Area Sales Manager, Sue Pearson.

MTB: How did it all begin for McCalls?

MM: The bakery has been a part of my life for as long as I can remember. My mother, Gillian, started the business back in 1984. She had worked for another bakery as both a baker and confectioner, and when the opportunity came up for her to take over a small shop in a residential area of Carlisle, she seized it. That's where our story began, and we've been rooted here ever since.

The bakery was her passion and I joined her the same year she opened the doors, along with my wife, Lesley. We had just gotten married on September 1st, 1984. We came back from our honeymoon, and by October 1st, we were both fully committed to working at the bakery. It wasn't just a business—it became the heart of our family. My Mother ran the business until 1998 and over the years our son joined us, and even my Auntie works alongside us. It's a true family operation.

MTB: Can you summarise what products you offer to McCalls customers

MM: Our product range is quite broad, and we've adapted it over the years to meet changing tastes. We make everything from bread rolls and cream cakes to sausage rolls and gingerbread. Some of our more indulgent offerings include Nutella cheesecakes, lemon cakes, and a Mars Bar cake that's become a bit of a local favourite.

Our pies are probably the stars of the show. The steak pie, in particular, is a best-seller. People come into the shop specifically asking for what they call "the football pies" because they've tasted them at the Carlisle FC matches. It's a good feeling to know our pies are part of that game-day experience for so many fans.



MTB: Can you give us an overview of your business?

MM: We're located in a residential part of Carlisle, not far from the town centre, which means we serve a tight-knit community. The bakery has two sides: the shop, which is busy, and our wholesale operations. Wholesale is a big part of our business.

Every day, we do 20 deliveries all around Carlisle. Our products are sent to local cafes, sandwich bars, village shops, fish and chip shops, and even to Carlisle FC. Match days are especially exciting for us because we supply the football club with pies, pasties, and sausage rolls. It's not uncommon for the three of us bakers—myself, my son Mark, and one other baker—to make thousands of pies on a single day.

The pandemic was a turning point for us. While many other businesses were forced to close, we stayed open throughout. We became a lifeline for our community, and people appreciated that. We also gained a lot of new customers who have stayed loyal to us even as things returned to normal. We expanded our delivery services to meet the needs of the local area. The result was that our customer base grew significantly, and business has only gotten stronger since then.

We've now got a team of ten people across both the shop and wholesale side. It's a small but dedicated group, and everyone pitches in. We're early risers, with a 3 a.m. start six days a week.



MTB: What major challenges is your bakery currently facing?

MM: Like any business in this sector, we've had our challenges in recent years. Rising costs, especially for electricity, gas, and food ingredients, have been tough to navigate. We've had to raise our prices twice, but even so, many of our customers tell us we're still not charging enough. That's nice to hear, but I'm always cautious. I don't want to push our prices too high and risk losing customers.

Despite these challenges, I'd say we're in a fortunate position. Business is good, and our loyal customers have stuck by us through thick and thin. In many ways, we're busier now than we've ever been, and I think a lot of that comes down to the relationships we've built over the years.

MTB: What do you think the near future has in store for bakers like you?

MM: It's going to be tough, there's no denying that. Bakeries like ours have to be mindful of rising costs, especially for dry ingredients like flour. If prices keep going up, it's going to put a strain on the entire industry. That said, there will always be demand for quality baked goods, especially from places like ours that are part of the community.

I think the key to survival is adapting, just like we have over the years. For example, while we still bake bread, we've found that people are more likely to buy their loaves from supermarkets these days. So, we've expanded our range of cakes and pies to meet demand for products that can't be easily found elsewhere. You have to evolve to stay relevant.



MTB: What recent product launches have caused a stir?

MM: We recently introduced a steak and cheese pie as a one-off, but it's been such a hit that we're seriously considering bringing it back. It's exciting to see that kind of enthusiasm for something new, and it keeps us motivated to keep experimenting with our range.

MTB: Do you have any special plans for your 40th anniversary?

MM: This October marks 40 years in business, which is an incredible milestone for us. We're planning to celebrate with our customers by putting some special items on sale in the shop, although we won't be offering 1980s prices! It's a big moment for us, and we want to give back to the people who have supported us all these years.



MTB: How do you find your partnership with BAKO and what does it mean for your business?

MM: We've had a long-standing partnership with BAKO for over 20 years. They've always been reliable, and the customer service has been excellent. We used to work closely with Cath, our representative, who retired last year. She was fantastic to deal with, always going above and beyond to help us out—even though we never actually met face-to-face. It was one of those relationships where you could just tell the other person cared. Everyone at BAKO has been friendly and helpful, and that's why we've stuck with them for so long.

McCalls Bakery Customer Feedback

This shop is a traditional baker which makes very nice pies and cakes, always fresh and definitely tasty. The steak pie is my favourite.

I'd certainly recommend it." - Paul

"We live in Whitby and my dad's a lorry driver and every time he passes Carlisle, he always buys about 6 trifles to bring home with him they are amazing 100% recommend this bakery." - Jacob

"Has to be the best bakers in Carlisle by far. Great sandwiches cakes and pies. Always a selection." -Jon-Paul







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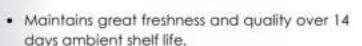
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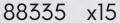
BAKO Raspberry Trifle Slice

Moist vanilla sp<mark>onge</mark>, swirled with a tangy raspberry sauce and topped with custard cream.

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IREKS BREAD MIXES



Usage based on flour

Packaging

BAKO

Product code

IREKS CHIA BREAD MIX

Mix for the production of speciality baked goods with Chia (Salvia hispanica) seeds

50 %

12.5 kg 77060



SPELT & HONEY

Mix for the production of rustic spelt morning goods and bread with oilseeds, coarsely ground lupin seeds and honey

100 %

25 kg

77036



IREKS CORN BREAD MIX

Mix for the production of maize baked goods

50 %

12.5 kg

77049







IREKS MULTISEED BREAD MIX

Mix for the production of multiseed bread and rolls

50 %

12.5 kg 25 kg

77063 77118







SINGLUPLUS

Mix for the production of glutenfree bread, rich in dietary fibre, low in fat, without the addition of egg and milk

100 %

12.5 kg

77057



BAKO Multiseed Bread Concentrate

BAKO SELECT Create

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- Includes sunflower seeds, linseed, pumpkin seeds

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