

Strawberry Short Cake

How to make the Strawberries:

All directions are done with Fimo brand clay. Before shaping the clay, you must first condition it by kneading it until soft enough to work with. I usually roll it out on a hard surface with some small round object like an exacto handle or a piece of dowelling. To make things with Clay I recommend you get a "circle template". These can be found at Wal Mart, Michael's or any office supply store. When I give measurements, that is what I am using as a guide.



Roll a pinch of red Fimo into a 3/8" ball.
Roll a pinch of Transparent Fimo into a 1/4" ball.
Blend these two colours into 1/8" balls.

Place one end of the ball between your thumb and index finger and gently roll. This should shape the ball into a cone shape. Slightly flatten the top. The shape should resemble that of a strawberry.

Insert a toothpick into the flat end. You may need to reshape a bit. Then roll the berry over the coarse sandpaper or a toothbrush to get your tiny indentations.

Blend together and 1/8" ball of Leaf Green Fimo and a 1/16" ball of Transparency. These will become your strawberry leaves. Roll out a 1/16" ball of the blended green and flatten into an oval shape. Place the oval over the hole at the end of the berry, then using your toothpick, gently press the center and side edges into the hole. Bake all of them at 250 degrees for about 15 mins.

The Cake:

For your Cake part roll out White Model magic clay to the thickness you wish your layers to be (approx. 1/4 inch thick) and cut out 3/4 to 1 inch wide. Let dry overnight. When the clay has dried you can lightly brush the sides of the cake with a mixture of watered down tan and yellow paint. This will give it the baked sides.

To assemble the cake place one layer on the plate you are serving on. Cover the layer with Non Yellowing White Tub Caulking (smells like vinegar) use a toothpick to spread. Add the next layer and repeat the frosting method and place on your finished strawberries.

I hope this is a help and if you want to see what a finished one looks like check out my album. I have made a few of them so I make a number of the strawberries ahead...the rest is simple :o)

Good luck!!

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