

## Ingredients

- 70 g hazelnuts
- 55 g slivered almonds
- 125 g powdered sugar
- 25 g cocoa powder
- 90 g egg whites, room temperature
- 100 g fine, granulated sugar
- 1 t raspberry extract
- 1 t vanilla bean paste
- 2 c dark chocolate, chopped
- 1/4 c fat free half and half
- 1 t raspberry extract
- 1 T Godiva chocolate liqueur

## **Cooking Directions**

- 1. Preheat oven to 300 F.
- 2. Line two baking sheets with parchment or top with a silpat baking mat.
- 3. Combine nuts and powdered sugar in a food processor and process until a fine powder is achieved. Sift the mixture into a large bowl. Reprocess any large bits that remain and sift again. Sift the entire mixture one last time to remove any large lumps.
- 4. Place the egg whites in the bowl of a stand mixer with the whisk attachment. Begin beating the egg whites with the sugar on medium speed (4) for 3 minutes. Then medium-high speed (7) for 3 more minutes. Finally beat at 10 for 4 more minutes.
- 5. Add the extract and paste and beat one more minute.
- 6. Add the nut mixture to the egg whites and, using a rubber spatula, fold the mixture until all the dry ingredients are incorporated. It should have a glossy, lava like consistency and form a ribbon when dropped from the spatula.
- 7. Place mixture in a pastry bag fitted with a 1/2 inch tip. Pipe quarter size rounds onto the parchment or silpat mats.
- 8. After filling the trays, rap the baking sheets on the counter twice then rotate and rap them 3 more times. Allow them to sit for 20 minutes before baking.
- 9. Bake at 300 F for 18-20 minutes. Carefully try to peel one from the parchment or mat. If they peel cleanly off, they are done. If not allow them to bake an additional minute or two.
- 10. Remove from oven and allow to cool completely before removing from the baking sheet.
- 11. Microwave the chopped chocolate and half in half in a microwave safe bowl for 1 minute. Stir and then continue to heat in 30 second intervals until the chocolate is melted.
- 12. Add the raspberry extract and the Godiva liqueur and stir with a whisk until combined. Pour into a pastry bag fitted with a round tip and cool until thickened.
- 13. Pipe a dime sized round of ganache onto a macaron and top with a second macaron; making sure to match size and shape of each pair.
- 14. Refrigerate overnight. Serve.