

# EASTER ACTIVITY PACK & RECIPES





# INTRODUCTION



With Easter just around the corner, our new activity kit is a perfect way to get everyone in your care home involved in some good old-fashioned crafting fun.

We've curated a selection of simple, engaging activities that can easily be done as a group or on a one-to-one basis; from making a colorful insect feeder to beautiful flower arrangements. The activities are also accompanied by mouth-watering recipes to complement your Easter event - including flavorful side dishes and delicious gravies, featuring some of our most well-loved products.





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Bring some creative fun to your residents with these Easter themed crafts.

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Everyone loves a celebration, so why not hang up our new Easter bunting and showcase the residents craft creations before enjoying some yummy Easter treats?

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### **Recipes for the Chefs**

In need of some inspiration for your Easter dinner? We're sharing a selection of the sensational side dishes and delicious gravy recipes, brought to you in collaboration with some of the best chefs in the business and using a great range of seasonal ingredients.

We're sure your residents will love them!

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## **INSECT FEEDER**



#### **YOU WILL NEED**

Small glass jars with a lid Small white or pastel colored bath sponge cut into pieces

Small stickers to decorate the jar, such as butterflies

Thin string

Rubber band

Sugar solution (1 part sugar with 9 parts water)

#### PREP BEFORE ACTIVITY

Drill or cut a hole in the center of the lid 0.5-1cm across

#### **HOW TO MAKE**

- 1. Push the piece of sponge into the jar.
- 2. Pull the sponge towards the lip so that when you screw the lid on you can pull a piece of the sponge up through the hole.
- 3. Decorate the jar with suitable small stickers. Metallic edged ones will catch the light and make the jars easier to see.
- 4. Lay the rubber band out and tie two equal lengths of string onto it. They need to be at least 30cms long as you will use them to tie the jar to hang from a tree branch or shrub.
- 5. Twist the rubber band around the neck of the jar keeping the strings opposite each other.
- 6. Mix the sugar solution (1 part sugar with 9 parts of water). Pour this onto the sponges and into the jars to ensure the sponges soak up the solution.
- 7. Hang the jars in the garden, the sugar solution will attract insects who will land on them to feed.





## MARBLED EGGS



#### **YOU WILL NEED**

Eggs
Egg cups
Multiple nail varnishes

Disposable bowl Slotted spoon Metal cake rack

### PREP BEFORE ACTIVITY

Hard boil the eggs

#### **HOW TO MAKE**

- 1. Half fill a small disposable plastic bowl with cold water. Old food trays are ideal but they need to be deep enough for the water to cover an egg.
- 2. Drip in several different colored nail varnishes and swirl the bowl to mix them slightly. Don't try stirring with an implement as the varnish will stick to it.
- 3. Carefully drop the eggs into the water and turn gently with a slotted spoon to pick up the nail varnish, creating a marbled pattern you won't be able to use the spoon again for cooking, but you can use it for lots more marbled eggs.
- 4. Lift out the eggs and place on a metal cake rack to dry, which can take a few hours.
- 5. Use nail polish remover if you need to clean up the cake rack afterwards.
- 6. The eggs look good in plain egg cups but you can also pass them around as they are very tactile and stimulate lots of conversations.







# **EASTER PAPER PLATES**



### **YOU WILL NEED**

Paper plates

**Paints** 

**Paintbrushes** 

Stamps

#### **HOW TO MAKE**

Decorate the borders of the paper plates to suit your Easter theme. Use plates that don't have a gloss or plastic finish as they will resist paints or stamping ink. Keep the decoration close to the outer edge and use them to serve cakes prepared in paper cases.





# FLOWER ARRANGING



#### **YOU WILL NEED**

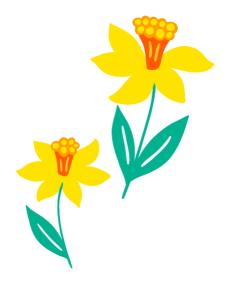
Flowers of any kind Greenery Scissors Vase

#### PREP BEFORE ACTIVITY

Prepare any greenery stems beforehand, cutting roughly to the right length, with the lower leaves trimmed off.

#### **HOW TO MAKE**

Invite residents to put the greenery stems in first, then introduce the flowers. Allow residents that are able, to trim the flower stems with small scissors to add another element to the activity. When finished, find a well-lit spot to proudly display.

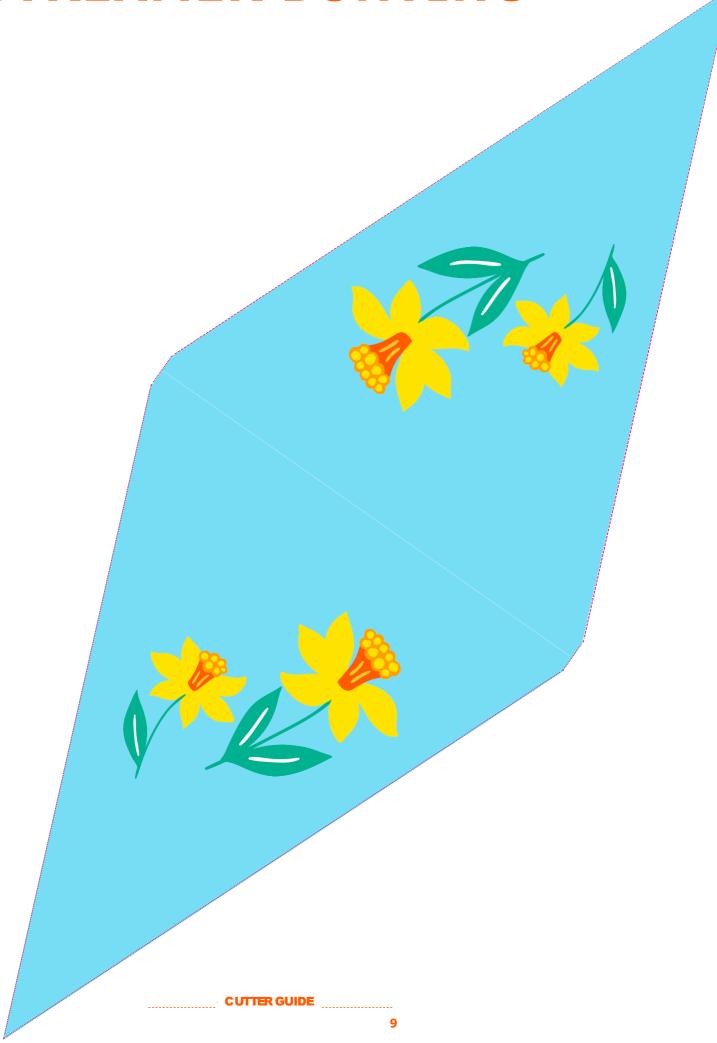




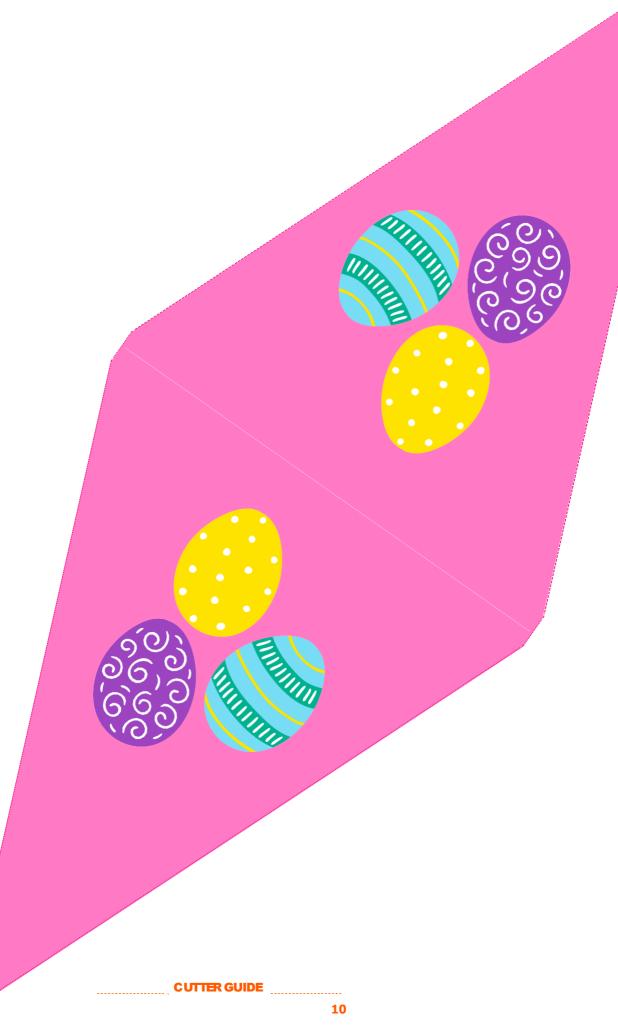


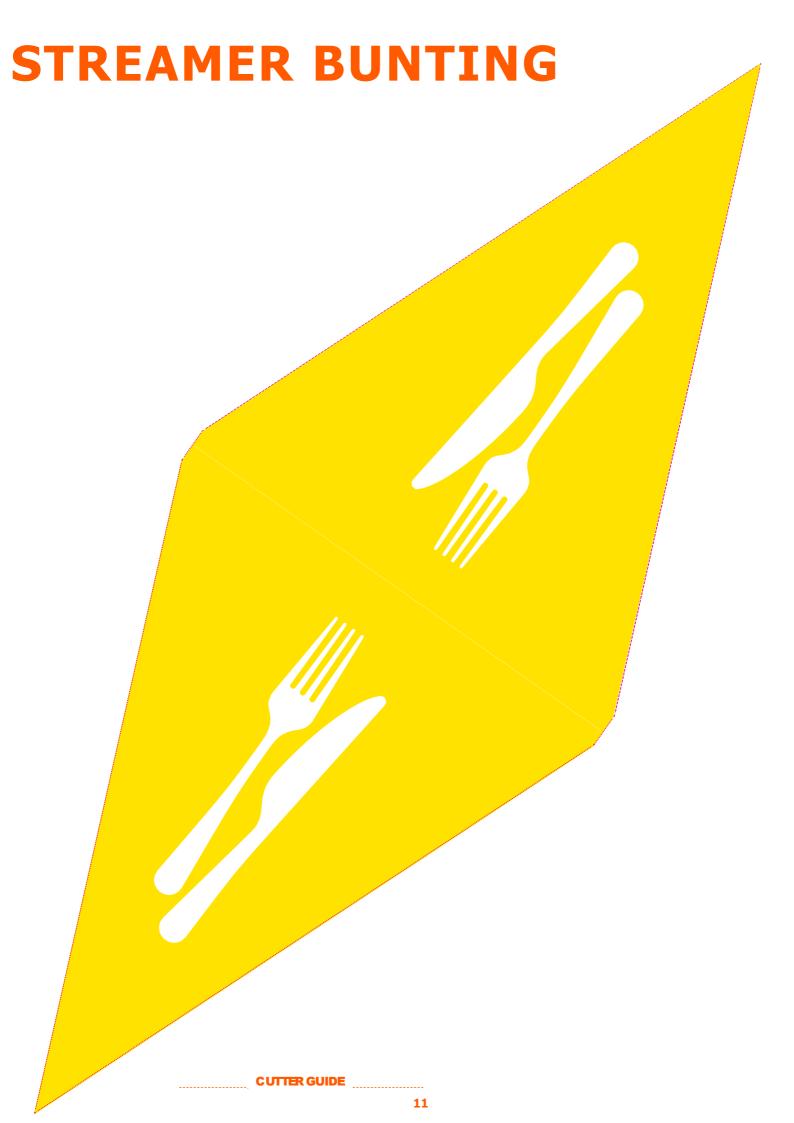


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# SIDE RECIPES



### Root Vegetable Puree

#### **INGREDIENTS FOR 10 PORTIONS**

11b Potatoes

11b Rutabaga

11b Savoy Cabbage

4 oz Knorr® Professional Ultimate Low Sodium Vegetable Base

4 oz Butter

2 oz Grated Cheddar



#### **METHOD**

Peel and dice the potato and rutabaga roughly into cubes.

Place into a saucepan along with the **Knorr® Professional Ultimate Low Sodium Vegetable Base** then cover with water.

Bring to the boil and cook for 20-25 minutes or until soft then drain and allow to steam.

Finely shred the cabbage and cook in half the butter for 3-4 minutes then add in the potatoes and rutabaga.

Mash together then place into a baking tray and dot with the remaining butter then cover with cheese.

Bake at 350 F for 20-25 minutes or until golden.





# SIDE RECIPES



### **Vegetable Fritters**

#### **INGREDIENTS FOR 10 PORTIONS**

8 oz Red Lentils

20 oz Water

2 TBS Knorr® Professional Ultimate Low Sodium Vegetable Base

1 lb Cauliflower stalks

1 lb Broccoli stalks

4 oz Fresh breadcrumbs

2 Eggs

1 TBS Sage

2 TBS Parmesan Cheese

#### **METHOD**

Pour the lentils and water into a saucepan and add the **Knorr® Professional Ultimate Low Sodium Vegetable Base prepared** and bring to a simmer. Cook for 20 minutes or until soft.

Remove and allow to cool.

Cook the cauliflower and broccoli stalks for 15 minutes or until soft then remove, drain and allow to cool.

Place the lentils, cauliflower, broccoli, sage and eggs into a blender and blitz together.

Remove and mix in the breadcrumbs then chill for 30 minutes.

Roll into walnut size balls and place on to a lined oven tray then bake for 20 minutes at 350°F.

Once cooked, remove from the oven and grate over the parmesan cheese before serving.

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### **GRAVY RECIPES**



### **Tomato & Tarragon Gravy**

#### **INGREDIENTS FOR 10 PORTIONS**

¾ Cup **KNORR®** Professional Low Sodium Brown Gravy

1 Quart Water

**KNORR®** Professional Ultimate 1 TBS Low Sodium Beef Base

1Cup White wine Tarragon 1 TBS

2 TBS Tomato puree

#### **METHOD**

Add tomato puree and white wine in pan. Reduce by half. Add the water into the pan then bring to the boil and whisk

in the KNORR® Professional Ultimate Low Sodium Beef Base.

Then whisk in KNORR® Professional Low Sodium **Brown Gravy** and simmer for 30 seconds.

Finish with finely chopped tarragon.

### **English Mustard Gravy**

#### **INGREDIENTS FOR 10 PORTIONS**

½ lb Onions

3 TBS Butter

Bay leaves 1TBS Fresh Sage

1 Quart Water

2 TBS English Mustard

3/4 Cup KNORR® Professional Low Sodium Chicken Gravy Mix

#### **METHOD**

Peel and slice the onions.

Melt the butter in a saucepan and sweat the onions with the sage and bay leave for 10 minutes until slightly golden.

Pour in the water and bring to the boil then reduce the heat and simmer for 10 minutes

Remove from the heat, add in the English Mustard then blend until smooth.

Return to the boil and whisk in the KNORR® Professional Low Sodium Chicken Gravy Mix to thicken.

Pass the gravy before serving.





# **GRAVY RECIPES**



### **Lemon & Thyme Gravy**

#### **INGREDIENTS FOR 10 PORTIONS**

4 Lemons

1 Quart Water

½ Ib Onions

1 TBS Thyme

10.5 oz Boneless skinless Chicken Breast

¾ C∪p KNORR® Professional Low Sodium Chicken Gravy Mix

#### **METHOD**

Peel and cut the onions in half then place on to a roasting tray.

Cut the lemons in half and place into the tray along with the thyme.

Sit the chickens on top of the onions and lemons then roast accordingly.

Once the chicken is cooked, remove from the tray and allow to rest.

Remove the lemons and squeeze any juice into try and remove the thyme stalks then pour in the water.

Place onto the heat and bring to the boil for 10 minutes scraping any sediment from the bottom of the tray.

Remove from the heat and blend until smooth then return to heat and whisk in the **KNORR® Professional Low Sodium Chicken Gravy Mix** to thicken.

Pass the gravy before serving.



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# EARL GREY CUPCAKE

WITH ALMOND BUTTERCREAM 18 PORTIONS

### YOU WILL NEED

**CUPCAKES** 

1½ Cup Sugar 1½ Cup Flour, Al

Eggs ½ tsp Ginger, groun

**EARL GREY INFUSED BUTTER** 

½ lb Butter, unsalted

3 sachets TAZO°Hot Tea Earl Grey

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#### **HOW TO MAKE IT**

- 1. Melt butter, combine with tea leaves (removed from sachets), and simmer for 2 minutes. Strain tea leaves and refrigerate butter until no longer liquid.
- 2. Pre-heat oven to 350°F. Combine sugar and lemon zest in a bowl and let sit for 30 minutes.
- 3. In another bowl combine lemon sugar and ¾ Cup of Earl Grey infused butter compound.
- 4. Add eggs to bowl, one at a time, and then add ginger.
- 5. Add flour to bowl, one cup at a time, and alternate with milk. Fill cupcake liners and bake for 20 minutes.

#### FOR THE ICING

- 1. Beat butter in a bowl until soft.
- 2. Add ½ of icing sugar and beat until smooth.
- 3. Add the remaining icing sugar with milk, adding more if necessary, until the mixture is creamy and smooth.
- 4. Add the almond essence and beat for 2 minutes.
- 5. Place in a piping bag.

#### **TO ASSEMBLE**

With a serrated knife, take the top off the cupcake. Cut in half to make the butterfly wings. Slice the cupcake in half. Pipe a dome of the almond butter cream in the centre of the cupcake, then push the two pieces of cake on the top to represent the butterfly wings.









# **Product Codes:**





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Bases			
KNORR* Ultimate Low Sodium Brown Gravy Mix GF	6 /13.5z	10048001005782	67525229
KNORR® Ultimate Low Sodium Chicken Gravy Mix GF	6 /1lb	10048001916705	67887290
KNORR* Ultimate Low Sodium Beef Base GF	6 /1lb	10048001509662	67521943
KNORR° Ultimate Low Sodium Vegetable Base GF	6 /1lb	10048001503356	67525203
Tazo Hot Tea			
TAZO® Hot Tea Earl Grey	6/24ct	30794522200802	67829848







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