# Louise Slice



Sweet, cake like base, tart raspberry jam and a soft meringue with a hint of coconut.

## Ingredients:

#### Base:

- 250g butter, at room temperature
- 1 cup caster sugar
- 4 egg yolks
- 1tsp vanilla extract
- 3 cups plain white flour
- 2 tsp baking powder

## Meringue topping:

- 1 cup raspberry jam
- 4 egg whites
- 3/4 cup caster sugar
- 1 cup desiccated coconut

### Method:

- 1. Line a large 40cm x 25cm slice tin and preheat the oven to 160C
- 2. Beat the butter and sugar together for five minutes, or until they are pale and fluffy.
- 3. Beat in the egg yolks and vanilla extract.
- 4. Fold in the flour and baking powder, mixing to make a fine crumb.
- 5. Press the mixture into the lined slice tin and bake for 20 minutes, or until starting to golden around the edges.
- 6. Remove from the oven and rest for 5 minutes, then spread the raspberry jam over the base.
- 7. In a clean bowl, beat the egg whites until soft peaks.
- 8. Slowly add the sugar 1/4 cup at a time, beating well after each addition.
- 9. Fold in the coconut and then spread the meringue over the raspberry jam.
- 10. Return the slice back to the oven and bake for a further 15-20 minutes, or until the meringue is cooked and lightly browned.