30 minutes (plus chilling time)

Makes about 40-45 biscuits

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Ingredients:

- 1 ½ cups (300g) butter, at room temperature
- 1 cup (130g) icing sugar
- 2 large eggs
- 1 tsp (5ml) vanilla paste or vanilla essence
- 3 cups (450g) cake flour
- ½ cup (100g) castor sugar, for sprinkling (optional)

Method

Freeze cookie dough logs so you can defrost, slice and bake on demand!

- 1. Cream butter and icing sugar together with an electric mixer until light and creamy.
- 2. Add eggs, one at a time, mixing until fully incorporated before adding the next one.
- 3. Add vanilla paste or essence and mix well.
- 4. Add flour and mix to create a solid dough (take care not to overmix).
- 5. Divide dough into two equal portions.
- 6. Place a sheet of baking paper on a work surface and roll each portion of dough into a 30cm log (it should be 4-5cm in diameter).
- 7. Wrap in clingfilm and chill in the fridge for a few hours or overnight (freeze logs if not baking immediately and use as needed).
- 8. Preheat oven to 180°C.
- 9. Line two baking trays with baking paper.

- 10. Slice logs into 7-8mm thick discs
- 11. Place biscuits on prepared baking trays, leaving a 2cm gap between each one.
- 12. Bake for 6 minutes, then rotate baking trays and bake for a further 6 minutes until golden around the edges and firm in the centre.
- 13. Sprinkle with castor sugar, if you like, and cool completely on a wire rack.
- 14. Serve immediately or store in an airtight container for up to 1-2 weeks.