

# Grain-free Chocolate Celebration Cake

Adapted from a recipe by Tania Hubbard at [www.glutenfreegrainfree.com.au](http://www.glutenfreegrainfree.com.au)

2 x 20 cm (8 in) cake tins  
baking paper  
measuring cups and spoons  
small and large mixing bowls  
metal whisk  
bowl scraper/spatula  
wire cooling rack

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1. **Preheat** oven to 180°C (350°F).

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2. **Line** the cake tins with the baking paper.

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3. In the small bowl, **combine**

½ cup **chia seeds**  
1½ cups **filtered water**

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4. **Soak** for 15 minutes, stirring frequently.

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5. **Whisk** into the chia seed jelly

8 **medium eggs**  
½ cup **extra virgin olive oil**  
½ cup **amaretto, rum, or water**  
2 tsp **vanilla extract or powder**

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6. In the large bowl, **whisk** together to remove any lumps

2 cups **almond or pepita meal**  
2 cups **coconut or rapadura sugar**  
1 cup **cacao or Dutch cocoa**  
2 tsp **bicarb/baking soda**  
large pinch **salt**

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7. **Whisk** the wet into the dry ingredients.

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8. **Pour** half the mixture into each tin and **bake** for 35 to 40 minutes until they bounce back when lightly pressed.

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9. Let the cakes **cool** in their tins for 5 to 10 minutes before removing and cooling thoroughly on the cooling rack.

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10. **Sandwich** the layers together with a fruit spread and **decorate** as desired.

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