



Module 5 - Section 2 - Teddy Bear

Objective: Create a cute model teddy bear.

In completing each section the user will be able to:

- Create the teddy bear's body shape
- Create the head in proportion to the body
- Make a sugarpaste/fondant bow
- Produce a neat, well proportioned teddy bear

Assessment criteria:

1. Demonstrate how to create the teddy bear's body shape and add to the cake
2. Create a head that is proportional to the body
3. Demonstrate how to create a sugarpaste/fondant bow
4. Produce a neat, well proportioned teddy bear

You will Need:

TOOLS

- Sharp vegetable knife
- Paint brushes, No6 & No3
- Small rolling pin

Modelling tools

- Dresden tool
- Stitch tool
- Ball tool

INGREDIENTS

Modelling paste

- 80g green
- 200g brown
- 20g white
- 10g black
- 10g pink

Petal dust

- Rose
- White

Other

- Spaghetti
- Edible glue

Method:

- Roll green paste to form the grass covering
- Cut to fit the cake (or area) where the teddy bear will be sitting
- Create the teddy bear's body using 90g of brown modelling paste
- Secure the body to the cake
- Roll 25g of paste to a sausage, which is thin in the middle, thicker at the outer edges
- Cut in half and shape each piece to form the back legs, then attach to the body
- Mix beige paste using 9g of white and a little brown
- Using a tiny piece (1.3g) of the beige paste create and add the pads for the front paws
- Make three indents on each front paw just above the paw pad
- Insert little beige balls to the indents
- Using a ball tool, create the belly button
- Add some stitch detail
- Shape, position, then stick the front legs (arms) to the body
- Add the tail
- Create the head from 40g of brown paste by making a ball, flattened, then a slight cone to the top of the head
- Check the size is in proportion to the body
- Create the muzzle using approximately 3.7g of beige paste
- Mould to shape, then add glue to the head where the muzzle will be placed
- Using the back of a knife, make a small indentation vertically in the centre of the muzzle
- Create the mouth using a ball tool indent
- Repeat the process to make the eye sockets
- Add small black balls to make the eyes
- Add the nose, using a small ball of black paste
- Make the ears by making a 3g ball of brown paste, flattening, then indenting with the ball tool
- Repeat the process with a smaller beige piece of paste and insert and press to form the inner ear
- Add the decorative bow
- Finish by adding the rosy cheeks and any extra stitch detail

Supporting Notes:

Teddy bears are very popular additions to many cake designs, especially for children. You can have so much fun playing around with design ideas and as you'll learn, they are very straightforward and easy pieces to make.

Before starting any model, you must consider where it will be placed. That will guide the size and colours to use in order for the piece to fit and match the rest of the cake. In the video Paul chooses to sit his model teddy bear on grass, which is achieved by cutting out the desired shape from the rolled green sugarpaste/fondant (paste).

To make the teddy bear's body, take 90g of brown paste and form a cone shape. Through gentle massaging, mould the cone to create the teddy bear's body, as Paul demonstrates in the video. Place the cone onto the cake (or the model's final resting position), then secure with a piece of spaghetti. To make the back legs, roll out 25g of brown paste making the middle a lot thinner and so the outer edges are ball shaped. Add a little water or sugar glue to the body where the legs will sit. Then cut the paste in half, press the middle and the ends down and start to form into the leg shapes. To position the legs, cut each leg at an angle to allow them to be neatly placed and attached to the body.

The teddy bear's muzzle and pads are made using a beige paste. Simply mix 1g brown and approximately 9g of white together until you achieve the desired colour. Pull off a small piece

(Paul used 1.3g) and form to the shapes to make the teddy bear's paw pads. Position the pads onto the paws, then finish by making three indents on each paw above the pad, then fill with a tiny piece of the beige paste. With any sugar model, it is all about the detail. Paul then adds a belly button and stitch detail and later a little tail to bring the teddy bear to life.

Now it's time to add the front legs (or arms as Paul would say). Wet or apply sugar glue to the body where the front legs are to be attached. Take approximately 17g of brown paste and roll firmly with extra pressure in the centre, which will make the sausage thin in the middle and thicker at the ends. As with the back legs, cut in half, mould to position then cut at an angle to position them onto the body.

Soften up approximately 40g of brown paste to form the head. The best way to describe the rolled piece is an oval, flattened, cone, but refer to the video to see the shape Paul uses. Make sure that the head is in proportion to the body before going any further. Add the muzzle using approximately 4g (Paul used 3.7g) of beige paste. Roll the paste, then shape into a slightly flattened fat sausage. Add some glue to the head, then position and attach the muzzle. Using the back of a knife, make a small indentation vertically in the center of the muzzle.

To mark the mouth, just make an indent with the ball tool and the same for the eyes just above the muzzle. Make two small balls using the black paste and place into the eye sockets. Shape a small piece of black paste for the nose and stick in place with some water or sugar glue.

The ears are very straightforward. Roll out a ball using 3g of brown paste, then flatten and create an indentation using the ball tool. Using a smaller piece of the beige paste, add an inner circle to the pressed brown paste, then press into place to form the inner ear.

It is important to keep adding those extra details. To add a decorative bow, roll about 10g of pink paste. Cut out two strips of 4mm width, long enough for the bows. Cut out a couple of pieces at 2cm and cut one end at an angle to create the bow tail. Position then stick to the teddy bear, ready for the bow to be added. To make the bow, use two 4cm strips, double each over so they are end to end and forming each side of the bow. Fold and press the joined ends and cut, ensuring that both are the same size. Stick them into place with water or sugar glue and add a little ball of paste.

Finish off by giving the teddy bear some rosy cheeks and pads using rose petal dust. Go around adding any extra stitch detail or any other finishing touches.