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# FLORAL AND PASTEL CAKE DESIGNS PERFECT FOR SPRING

## TO OUR READERS

As the world shakes off the last remnants of winter, spring bursts forth in a riot of colour, fragrance, and flavour. What better way to celebrate the season of renewal than with cakes that mirror its beauty? From delicate floral decorations to dreamy pastel palettes, spring-inspired cakes are all the rage, and we're here for it!



## FEATURE DESIGN BUTTERCREAM FLOWERS

Flowers and cakes are a match made in confectionery heaven. Edible flowers such as violets, pansies, and rose petals bring a natural elegance to any bake, while piped buttercream blossoms and fondant florals add an extra touch of artistry. Whether you opt for a rustic, semi-naked cake adorned with fresh blooms or a fully iced masterpiece covered in sugar flowers, a floral cake is the ultimate showstopper for spring.

For those who prefer a more subtle floral touch, incorporating floral patterns into the cake design through stenciling or hand-painting can achieve a stunning effect.



This stunning floral cake is a true celebration of spring, bursting with colour and intricate buttercream blooms. Topped with a vibrant arrangement of hand-piped flowers in warm tones of orange, yellow, and pink, it brings the essence of a wildflower meadow to life. The creamy white base is elegantly accented with delicate floral details, cascading down the sides like a blossoming garden. It's a delightful fusion of artistry and indulgence, where every bite tastes as beautiful as it looks!

## LIGHT AND LUSH FLAVOURS

Spring cakes aren't just about aesthetics—they should taste as delightful as they look! This season calls for light, refreshing flavours like lemon and elderflower, strawberry and vanilla, or coconut and passionfruit. Floral infusions such as lavender, rose, and hibiscus can elevate your cake to gourmet status, while a drizzle of citrus glaze or a dusting of powdered sugar adds a simple yet elegant finishing touch.



For a more indulgent option, consider pairing fruit compotes with airy sponge layers. A strawberry and basil pairing, or a honey and chamomile drizzle over a sponge cake, brings a sophisticated and unique springtime flavour profile. Light whipped creams or yogurt-based frostings can also provide a fresh and creamy balance to the sweetness of the cake.

## PERFECT FOR EVERY OCCASION

From Easter gatherings and baby showers to garden parties and birthdays, a floral or pastel cake is a must-have centrepiece for any springtime event. Whether you're a professional baker crafting intricate designs or a home baker experimenting with simple techniques, there's a spring cake for everyone.

Wedding season in spring also sees an increase in demand for floral and pastel cakes. Brides and grooms often opt for soft pastel wedding cakes adorned with sugar flowers or cascading edible blooms, creating a romantic and enchanting focal point for their special day.

## PASTEL PERFECTION

Soft pastels are synonymous with spring, think pale pinks, baby blues, mint greens, lilacs and buttery yellows. These hues create a whimsical and fresh look, making them ideal for seasonal celebrations.

Textured buttercream is another way to elevate pastel cakes. Ruffled buttercream or palette knife-painted textures give cakes a dreamy, ethereal look that fits perfectly with the soft hues of spring. Adding subtle metallic accents, such as gold leaf or pearl dust, can make a pastel cake truly shine at any gathering.

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Embrace the beauty, savour the flavours, and let your bakes be as vibrant and joyful as the season itself!



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