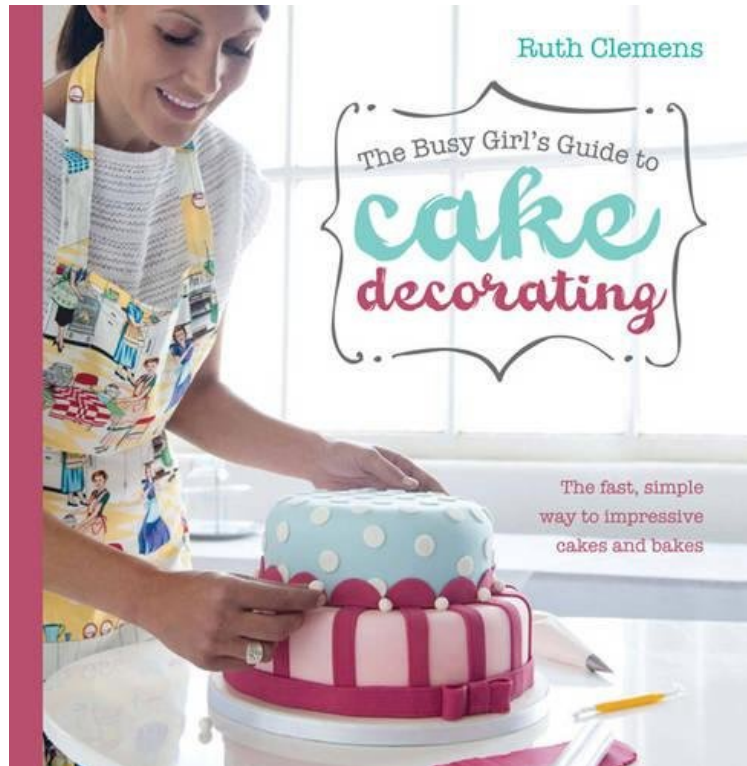


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Ruth Clemens : The Busy Girl's Guide To Cake Decorating: The Fast, Simple Way to Impressive Cakes and Bakes before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Busy Girl's Guide To Cake Decorating: The Fast, Simple Way to Impressive Cakes and Bakes:

7 of 8 people found the following review helpful. Not what I expected By Punkingirl This book is all about cake decorating with fondant. I personally like to decorate with buttercream frosting, so this book was not for me. However, the photos were nice to look at, and she gives some good tips, so I gave it 3 stars. The other thing that I didn't like about this book is that the measurements are given in pounds and ounces for dry ingredients like flour, sugar, etc. I would've preferred the measurements in cups and teaspoons, so that the dry ingredients don't need to be weighed. I guess that's the European way of measuring dry ingredients (I believe the author is British). So if you're not into decorating with fondant or weighing your dry ingredients, this book won't be for you either. 0 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By Shellie Thank you ! 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Very complete book By Robert Bell It is very helpful, you will learn the basics of cake decorating and will also learn many tips and secrets, very complete.

Find out how even the busiest of busy girls can whip up impressive homemade treats in next to no time! Ruth Clemens, finalist on the original series of *The Great British Bake Off*, shares her secrets in creating quick but gorgeous cakes, bakes and biscuits. Choose from 25 beautiful projects to make in under an hour, in an afternoon, or over a weekend and be amazed at what you can achieve! This book is all about cake decorating without the fuss, the palaver and sometimes the tears too! The projects are split into three sections. The Evening Whip-Ups (one-hour projects) are perfect when you have very little time, and are easy to throw together one evening after work. The Half-Day Delights (two-hour projects) are for when you have an afternoon to spare. Finally, the Weekend Wonders (three- to four-hour projects) are for when you've got a bit more time available in your schedule! In cake-decorating terms, all of the above are tiny amounts of time--large, intricate projects take professional cake decorator's days, if not weeks, of work. We busy girls don't have the time or the patience to create those kinds of works of art but this book contains stunning projects that can be achieved in next to no time. In addition to the projects, Ruth talks you through all the equipment and ingredients you need, shows you how to line a cake tin, gives her tried-and-tested recipes for fruit cake, sponge cake and chocolate cake, as well as cupcake recipes, cookie recipes and frosting recipes. She shows you how to pipe with royal icing and buttercream piping techniques, and how to cover a cake with marzipan, how to cover cakes and boards with sugarpaste, how to trim a cake board with ribbon, how to colour fondant to your desired shade, how to stack cakes using dowels, and some wonderful creative embellishment techniques. *The Busy Girl's Guide to Cake Decorating*--the perfect place to start your foray into the world of cakes.

About the Author Ruth Clemens is a baker, cake decorator and very busy wife and mother. Completely self taught, Ruth's passion for baking and sugarcrafting shines through on her blog, *The Pink Whisk*. Ruth was a finalist on the first series of *The Great British Bake Off* on BBC 2. She lives in Cheshire, UK.