

Fox's Rocky Orange: why warmth matters

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Fox's Rocky Orange: why warmth matters, in summary: Orange and chocolate work because they arrive at different speeds. Eat Rocky Orange at room temperature or the citrus barely shows, keep it out of the tea, and pour a plain strong black brew rather than an Earl Grey.

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A Rocky Orange eaten straight from a chilly lunch bag tastes of sweet [chocolate](#) and very little else, and people decide the flavour is feeble. It is nothing of the sort; citrus aroma simply needs a bit of warmth before it will lift off the bar.

A bright start and a long finish

Citrus and chocolate are an old partnership, and the reason is how they behave rather than any likeness in taste. The aroma compounds behind an orange note are light and quick: they reach the nose early and are gone soon after. Chocolate travels in fat, so it coats the mouth and stays. Together they give a bite that opens bright and ends long, instead of one flavour stacked on another.

In a Rocky the orange rides on the family build: a crunchy biscuit bar sealed in a milk chocolate flavoured coating, seven wrapped bars and 138g to a pack. Because each bar is small, there is a lot of coating for the amount of crumb, and that proportion is what lets a flavour carried in the chocolate register at all. It reads as a lift at the front of the chocolate, never as anything you would call fruity.

Room temperature, not a degree colder

The most useful thing to know is when not to eat one: cold. If the pack has spent the morning in a chilled lunch bag or a cold car, hold the wrapped bar in a warm hand for a couple of minutes before opening it. A bar kept in the cupboard at ordinary room temperature needs nothing at all, which is why the cupboard, not the fridge, is where the pack should live.

It is not one for the mug either. The coating seals the biscuit on every side, so hot tea has nowhere to soak in; it only softens the outside and leaves you fishing for chocolate. Eat it beside the cup. Seven individually wrapped bars make this a lunchbox and desk-drawer pack rather than something to tip onto a plate for visitors.

Choosing the cup: plain beats perfumed

A plain, strong [black tea](#) gives the citrus something flat and steady to sit against, and a splash of milk does no harm. [Earl Grey](#) is the trap. The bergamot doubles up on the citrus, and the two bright notes spend the mouthful cancelling each other out, leaving neither the tea nor the bar at its best. Save the Earl Grey for a plain biscuit.

Coffee works too, especially a milky instant at the desk, which is where we most often picture a Rocky being eaten. Of the four Rocky flavours, Orange is the one where the choice of drink matters most, because the orange is light enough to be pushed aside by anything scented. Keep the cup simple, keep the bar at room temperature, and the pairing looks after itself.

The packs we stock

- [Fox's Biscuits Rocky Orange Biscuit Bars Multipack, 7 Pack 138g](#) (barcode 5010035001908)

What to drink with it

- [Yorkshire Tea Original Everyday Blend, 80 Tea Bags 250g](#): a plain, strong everyday black tea that gives the orange a steady background instead of competing with it.
- [Glengettie Welsh Breakfast Tea, 80 Tea Bags 250g](#): a full breakfast brew with milk, sturdy enough to balance a sweet coated bar without adding a second flavour.
- [Twinings English Breakfast Decaffeinated, 80 Tea Bags 218g](#): the same plain-cup principle for the afternoon and evening, without the [caffeine](#).
- [Nescafe Gold Blend Intense Instant Coffee, 190g](#): an unscented instant with milk that stays out of the orange's way, which a perfumed cup would not.

Elsewhere in the Fox's range

- [Fox's Biscuits Chocolatey Biscuit Selection, 355g](#)
- [Fox's Biscuits Chocolatey Cookies Assortment, 365g](#)
- [Fox's Biscuits Classic Biscuit Selection, 275g](#)
- [Fox's Biscuits Jam 'n' Cream Raspberry & Vanilla Biscuits, 150g](#)
- [Fox's Biscuits Milk Chocolate Viennese, 120g](#)
- [Fox's Biscuits Rocky Caramel Biscuit Bars Multipack, 7 Pack 136.5g](#)

The full range is on the [Fox's brand page](#).

FAQ

Why does my Rocky Orange taste of hardly any orange? It is probably too cold. The orange aroma needs warmth to leave the bar, so a chilled one tastes mostly of sweet chocolate; let it reach room temperature.

Should Rocky Orange go in the fridge? No. Keep it in a cupboard at room temperature, because a cold bar hides the very flavour you bought it for.

Does Rocky Orange go with Earl Grey? Not well. The bergamot and the orange cancel each other out, so a plain black tea is the better partner.

Does Rocky Orange taste fruity? Not really. The citrus comes across as a lift in the chocolate, not as a fruit flavour, and it needs room temperature to show.

How big are Rocky Orange bars? The pack holds seven individually wrapped bars, 138g in all, so each is a little under twenty grams.

Curator's note: If it has been in a cold bag all morning, hold it for a minute before you open it. Then a plain strong tea, and nothing scented anywhere near it. Lee, teas.co.uk, Tunbridge Wells.

In short: Fox's Rocky Orange: why warmth matters

Field	Detail
Brand	Fox's
Packs we stock	7 Pack 138g
Category	Chocolate Biscuits
Serve at	Room temperature, never chilled
Best with	A plain strong black tea, milk optional
Avoid	Earl Grey

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