

Fox's Fabulous Viennese Biscuit Selection: what Viennese means

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Fox's Fabulous Viennese Biscuit Selection: what Viennese means, in summary:

Viennese names a method: a soft butter dough piped through a star nozzle, giving ridges and a crumb that melts. Butter is 31% of this box's recipe, so brew a properly strong black tea and never dunk.

Last reviewed by the teas.co.uk team in September 2026.

Butter is the second ingredient on the published label at 31%, ahead of sugar, and every other fact about this box follows from it. It is why the dough can be piped, why the crumb melts under the tongue and why the tea beside it needs to be brewed with some muscle.

Piped through a star nozzle

Most [biscuits](#) are rolled flat and cut, and they are meant to keep their shape. Viennese dough goes the other way. It is soft enough to be piped from a star-shaped nozzle, which leaves the fine lines along its back, and it bakes into a short, delicate crumb. Press a piece with your tongue and it simply breaks down, with the teeth hardly needed at all.

The published ingredient list shows how much fat that takes. Wheat flour leads, then butter at 31% and sugar, with milk [chocolate](#) at 4% and alkalised cocoa powder further down, which points to chocolate and cocoa turning up somewhere in the mix. The allergen statement lists wheat (gluten), milk and soya. The exact shapes and finishes can vary, and the box itself is the place to check them.

A box for when somebody visits

A crumb that dissolves this fast travels badly and dunks worse, but it is gone from the mouth about as quickly as a sip of tea, so there is never anything left to chew when you reach for the cup. That is why the style ended up on the tea tray. The 350g box gives variety inside a single style rather than one biscuit over and over, which makes it the box for visitors rather than the everyday tin.

[Dunking](#) is the one firm no. A crumb this rich in butter starts to let go within a second or two of meeting hot tea, and what comes back out wants a spoon. Anyone set on dunking is better served by a digestive or an oat biscuit. And if one kind of Viennese appeals more than a mix, Fox's Milk Chocolate Viennese comes in a smaller 120g pack.

Tannin clears the butter

Butter coats the palate, and tannin is what clears it between biscuits. That makes a full-bodied [black tea](#), brewed properly, the right partner: one bag per 200ml, left for four minutes, rather than a quick dip that leaves the cup thin. A delicate green or white tea is simply lost against this much butter. An [Earl Grey](#) brewed to full strength works well, its scent lifting the richness.

For coffee drinkers, a medium-roast Americano suits the box. An espresso is intense enough to bury the biscuits, and milky drinks only add fat to fat. Keep the box closed and away from strongly scented neighbours such as ground coffee, because butter soaks up smells from the cupboard and the aroma will change long before the biscuits themselves have gone stale.

The packs we stock

- [Fox's Fabulous Viennese Biscuit Selection, 350g](#) (barcode 5010035068444)

What the label says

The published ingredient list for Fox's Fabulous Viennese Biscuit Selection, 350g (barcode 5010035068444) says it contains wheat (gluten), milk and soya. Check the current UK pack before purchase; formulations and allergen advice can change.

Ingredients, as published: Wheat Flour (Wheat Flour, Calcium Carbonate, Iron, Niacin, Thiamin), Butter (Milk) (31%), Sugar, Milk Chocolate (4%) [Sugar, Cocoa Butter, Dried Skimmed Milk, Cocoa Mass, Dried Whey (Milk), Butter Oil (Milk), Vegetable Fats (Palm, Shea, Sal, Mango Kernel), Emulsifier: Soya Lecithin], Palm Oil, Cornflour, Alkalised Cocoa Powder (Cocoa Powder, Acidity Regulator: Potassium Carbonate), Dried Whole Milk, Salt, Palm Kernel Oil, Dried Skimmed Milk, Milk Chocolate [Sugar, Cocoa Butter, Dried Whole Milk, Cocoa Mass, Dried Whey (Milk), Dried Skimmed Milk, Emulsifier: Soya Lecithin], Flavourings, Emulsifier: Soya Lecithin.

Typical values per 100g Per 100g

Energy	531 kcal
Fat	30.8g
of which saturates	19g
Carbohydrate	57.3g
of which sugars	26.7g
Fibre	1.8g
Protein	5.3g
Salt	0.7g

Ingredient and nutrition data for this barcode: [Open Food Facts \(openfoodfacts.org\)](https://openfoodfacts.org), ODbL. The pack in your hands is the final word.

What to drink with it

- [Tetley Earl Grey, 50 Tea Bags 125g](#): a black Earl Grey that takes a full four-minute brew and has the tannin to clear butter between biscuits.
- [Clipper Organic Fairtrade Earl Grey Tea, 80 Unbleached Tea Bags 200g](#): an Earl Grey in unbleached bags, brewed strong in the pot when the box goes round a table of guests.
- [Twinings the Earl Grey Plant Based, 40 Tea Bags 100g](#): a classic Earl Grey to brew at full strength, the scented cup working against the richness of the butter.

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

What makes a biscuit Viennese? The method. A soft dough is piped through a star nozzle, which leaves the ridges and gives a short, melting crumb.

Can Viennese biscuits be dunked? No. Hot tea breaks the crumb down almost instantly, so keep them beside the cup.

Which varieties are in the box? The mix of shapes and finishes can change, so the current pack is the reliable guide. The net weight is 350g.

Do Viennese biscuits go with coffee? A medium-roast Americano, yes. Espresso buries them and milky coffees add fat to fat.

How should I store an open box? Closed, cool and well away from strong smells such as ground coffee, which the butter will pick up.

Curator's note: Open this one when guests are coming. Brew the pot stronger than feels necessary, because a weak cup leaves butter coating the tongue by the third biscuit. Lee, teas.co.uk, Tunbridge Wells.

In short: Fox's Fabulous Viennese Biscuit Selection: what Viennese means

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Brand	Fox's

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Packs we stock	350g
Category	Biscuits
Allergens (as published)	It contains wheat (gluten), milk and soya.
Dunkable	No, the crumb lets go at once
Best with	A strong black tea or Earl Grey, four minutes
Occasion	Visitors and a proper pot

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