

KitKat 2 Finger Orange: brightness instead of bitterness

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KitKat 2 Finger Orange: brightness instead of bitterness, in summary: Orange tempers the sweetness with brightness rather than bitterness, so this bar tastes lighter than the plain one while the sugar stays the same. A strong brew is the dependable partner; Earl Grey is the interesting one.

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Orange with [chocolate](#) is a pairing most British palates learned long ago, from selection boxes and Christmas tins, and on a two-finger bar it plays a trick of perception. Citrus reads as sharp even when no acid reaches the tongue, so the coating tastes lighter without any sugar being taken out.

A trick of perception

The orange sits in the coating and reaches your nose before the chocolate does, because citrus aromas are some of the quickest to leave any sweet. By the time the sweetness lands, the palate has already registered brightness, so the sugar peak feels gentler even though nothing has been removed. Underneath, the wafer is the usual three thin, dry layers, there for structure rather than flavour.

Where this box earns its keep is proportion. The citrus is pitched to season the bar, not to make it taste like an orange sweet, and the result remains recognisably a KitKat with orange on top. That balance is why it tends to be the flavoured box a mixed household actually finishes, rather than the one left open in the cupboard for a month.

Orange, mocha and the plain bar compared

Orange and mocha take opposite routes to the same problem, which is that a plain two-finger is sweet from start to finish. Mocha answers it with a roasted bitterness; orange answers it with brightness. Mocha tends to split opinion, whereas orange is the safer pick for a household, largely because chocolate orange is a flavour most people already know well.

It also suits a shared Christmas selection, where the flavour already feels at home. Wrapped singly, the eight bars can go round a room without a plate or a knife, which is most of the appeal with guests. The box weighs 165.6g, so each bar comes in at roughly 20.7g. For more bars to the box, we also stock a twelve-bar

KitKat 2 Finger Chocolate Orange.

Earl Grey, a strong brew and keeping the orange

A strong everyday brew is the dependable partner. [Earl Grey](#) is the more interesting one: bergamot is itself a citrus oil, so the tea and the bar merge into one flavour rather than sitting side by side as two. Whichever you pick, drink it unsweetened, because the bar supplies all the sugar the break needs.

Do not [dunk](#). Tea soaks the wafer almost instantly and the bar collapses, and the heat drives off the orange before it reaches your tongue. Warmth in [storage](#) does the same job more slowly: leave the box somewhere warm and within weeks it tastes like a plain bar. A cool, dark cupboard is all the care it needs.

The packs we stock

- [KitKat 2 Finger Orange Chocolate Biscuit Bar Multipack, 8 Pack 165.6g](#) (barcode 8445291524569)

What to drink with it

- [Yorkshire Tea Original Everyday Blend, 80 Tea Bags 250g](#): The dependable strong everyday brew, taken without sugar, to steady a sweet citrus coating.
- [Glengettie Welsh Breakfast Tea, 80 Tea Bags 250g](#): A heartier breakfast cup for anyone who finds an everyday blend too light against chocolate orange.
- [Twinings English Breakfast Decaffeinated, 80 Tea Bags 218g](#): Decaffeinated breakfast tea for the bars handed round in the evening.
- [Nescafe Gold Blend Intense Instant Coffee, 190g](#): A jar of intense instant for guests who would rather have coffee, and a quick bitter counterweight to the orange.

Elsewhere in the KitKat range

- [KitKat 2 Finger Caramel Milk Chocolate Biscuit Bars Multipack, 8 Pack 165.6g](#)
- [KitKat 2 Finger Chocolate Orange Biscuit Bars Multipack, 12 Pack 248.8g](#)
- [KitKat 2 Finger Cookie Dough Flavour Chocolate Bar Multipack, 8 Pack 165.6g](#)
- [KitKat 2 Finger Dark Chocolate Biscuit Bar Multipack, 8 Pack 165.6g](#)
- [KitKat 2 Finger Gingerbread Flavour Chocolate Biscuit Bar Multipack, 8 Pack 165.6g](#)
- [KitKat 2 Finger Hazelnut Flavour Chocolate Biscuit Bar Multipack, 8 Pack 165.6g](#)

The full range is on the [KitKat brand page](#).

FAQ

Is the orange KitKat less sweet than the plain one? It seems less sweet, but the sugar has not changed; the citrus simply reads as sharpness, so the coating feels lighter.

Why does Earl Grey go with chocolate orange? Earl Grey's bergamot is a citrus oil, so it joins the orange in the coating rather than competing with it.

Orange or mocha: which two-finger suits a household? They tackle the same sweetness from opposite ends: the mocha bar sets roasted bitterness against it, while this one lifts it with citrus. Of the two, orange is the easier choice for a mixed household.

Does the orange flavour fade? Yes, before the chocolate does. Warmth drives the aroma off first, so keep the box cool and dark.

Does the orange KitKat contain real orange? The orange character is carried in the coating, and the ingredient declaration on the current UK pack is the place to check what provides it.

Curator's note: Put the box out with a pot of Earl Grey when friends come round. The orange is pitched just right, which is harder to pull off than it looks. Lee, teas.co.uk, Tunbridge Wells.

In short: KitKat 2 Finger Orange: brightness instead of bitterness

Field	Detail
Brand	KitKat
Packs we stock	8 Pack 165.6g
Category	Chocolate Biscuits
Dunkable	No, the wafer folds and the orange is lost
Best with	Earl Grey, or a strong everyday brew
Occasion	Shared tins and gatherings

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