

Nescafé Gold Blend Refill Pouch: How to Decant It Well

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Nescafé Gold Blend Refill Pouch: How to Decant It Well, in summary: The pouch is Gold Blend without the glass: 250g meant to be tipped into a jar you already own. Decant it the day it arrives, into a completely dry jar, and it gives roughly 125 mugs.

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A refill pouch only earns its place if it is actually used as a refill. Rolled up on the worktop it lets kitchen air at the coffee, but emptied into a screw-lid jar it gives you the same Gold Blend with paper, rather than a new glass jar, to dispose of each time.

Why the pouch needs a jar

Buying Gold Blend this way assumes you already own a lidded jar. The pouch stays sealed until the first cut, but after that it is only a folded paper bag, and granulated coffee is hygroscopic: it takes up moisture from the air around it. Damp granules clump, cling to the spoon and lose the aroma that makes Gold Blend worth having in the first place.

If you have never owned the jar, buy one jar of the same coffee once and keep it for refilling. After that first purchase, the refill makes sense for a household that gets through 250g at a steady pace, a kitchen where coffee is made several times a day. For an occasional drinker, a smaller jar that is finished while it still smells fresh may simply suit better.

Decanting without spoiling a spoonful

Wash the jar the evening before and let it dry right through, because a single drop left inside will set the first layer of granules into a crust. Tip out any old coffee before refilling, so yesterday's granules are not buried at the bottom for good. Then pour gently, with the pouch close to the rim. Granules that fall a long way shatter into powder, and powder dissolves unevenly and muddies the cup.

If the jar will not take the whole pouch, fold what is left tightly, clip it and keep it somewhere cool and dry, well away from the kettle, until there is room again. Before the empty pouch goes out, check the pack and your council's guidance: paper-based packaging is not collected for recycling everywhere, and any liner or label may need its own route.

Spoon size and how far 250g goes

The mug count depends on the spoon. At a rounded teaspoon of about 2g, 250g gives roughly 125 mugs; at 3g for a strong cup it is nearer 83, enough for a month or two in a typical kitchen. In our view, the spoon is behind most grumbles about this coffee: the granules weigh more than they appear to, so a heaped spoonful in a small cup makes a far stronger drink than a level one in a large mug.

Start at one rounded teaspoon, taste, then adjust once and leave it there. Too bitter means too much coffee for the mug; thin and watery means the mug is bigger than the spoon allows for. The blend itself leans medium-dark, with more body than most instant and a definite roast edge, so it copes well with milk and does not need a heavy hand to taste of coffee.

The packs we stock

- [Nescafe Gold Blend Instant Coffee Paper Refill Pouch, 250g](#) (barcode 8445292490740)

What to eat with it

- [McVitie's Original Hobnobs Biscuits - The Oaty One, 255g](#): An oaty biscuit with enough crunch and weight to stand beside a fuller-bodied, roast-edged mug.
- [Lotus Biscoff Caramelised Biscuits, 250g](#): A caramelised biscuit that sits comfortably alongside the roast edge of a medium-dark instant.
- [McVitie's Hobnobs The Oaty One Milk Chocolate Twin Pack Biscuits, 2 x 262g](#): Two packs of milk [chocolate biscuits](#) for a household that gets through a whole pouch of coffee at a steady pace.

Elsewhere in the Nescafé range

- [Nescafe Azera Americano Decaff Instant Coffee, 90g](#)
- [Nescafe Azera Americano Instant Coffee, 140g](#)
- [Nescafe Azera Americano Intense Instant Coffee with Finely Ground Beans, 140g](#)
- [Nescafe Azera Decaf Americano Instant Coffee with Finely Ground Beans, 135g](#)
- [Nescafe Cappuccino Decaf Unsweetened Taste Instant Coffee Sachets, 7 Sachets 105g](#)
- [Nescafe Cappuccino Instant Coffee, 7 Sachets](#)

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

FAQ

Can I keep Gold Blend in the refill pouch? You can, but it will not stay fresh as long as it would in a screw-lid jar. Decant it on the day it arrives.

How many mugs does a 250g pouch make? About 125 at a rounded teaspoon of roughly 2g, or nearer 83 if you take it strong at 3g.

Is the paper pouch recyclable? Check the pack and your local authority's guidance. Paper-based packaging is not accepted at the kerbside everywhere, and different parts may need different routes.

Why has my refilled jar gone lumpy? Moisture. Either the jar was not fully dry when you filled it or it has been left open near the kettle, and granulated coffee takes up water from the air.

Is it the same coffee as the jar? It is sold as the same Gold Blend without the glass jar, so the difference lies in the packaging and in how carefully you store it.

Curator's note: Wash the jar the night before, let it dry completely and decant the morning the pouch arrives. That small habit is the whole difference between a good refill and a disappointing one. Lee, teas.co.uk, Tunbridge Wells.

In short: Nescafé Gold Blend Refill Pouch: How to Decant It Well

Field	Detail
Brand	Nescafé
Packs we stock	250g
Category	Instant Coffee
Caffeine	caffeinated
Format	A refill for a jar you already own
Decant	On arrival, into a dry, lidded jar
Best with	Milk, or a plain crunchy biscuit

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