Walker's Wee Shorties: shortbread in lunchbox portions

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> **Walker's Wee Shorties: shortbread in lunchbox portions, in summary:** Six sealed 25g bags of mini Walker's shortbread fingers, made to the family recipe. The bags keep the shortbread whole on the move and give a rich biscuit a natural stopping point.

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The biscuit inside is Walker's butter shortbread; what sets this pack apart is the packaging. Six sealed 25g bags turn a rich biscuit that tends to vanish from an open box into portions that travel well and come to an end.

The family recipe, made small

Walker's makes the Wee Shorties to its family shortbread recipe, and the published ingredient list is short: wheat flour, butter at 35%, sugar and salt. That is the classic four-ingredient formula, and the allergen statement for this barcode lists wheat (gluten) and milk. With no coating or filling, the butter is the flavour, and the salt does quiet work in the finish.

Shrinking a finger changes how it eats. A mini finger has proportionally more edge than the full-size version, so more of it catches the oven's heat, and the same dough eats a little drier and cleaner. If the toasted edges are your favourite part of a plate of shortbread, the minis give you more of them.

Why the small bags matter

Loose shortbread carried in a rucksack usually ends up as crumbs; a small sealed bag gets there in one piece. That makes the Wee Shorties the Walker's line for lunchboxes, walks and desk drawers. Each 25g bag is also a portion with a natural end, which suits a biscuit this rich better than a box that keeps inviting one more.

The seal helps in the cupboard too. Butter picks up the smell of whatever is stored next to it, and six closed bags keep that from happening until each one is opened. Aim for cool but not cold: a warm room turns shortbread greasy and the fridge dries it out, so keep the pack in a cool cupboard well clear of the cooker.

Tea, dunking and a cheesecake base

Pour a plain black tea. Nothing on the table cuts butter like tannin, and a builder's mug does it just as well as a fancier pot, though an Earl Grey suits it too, as does a plain black coffee. The shortbread's richness comes from butter more than sugar, so it can sit beside sweeter things without competing.

Dunk only briefly, if at all: after about two seconds the short crumb turns to paste and you are left with butter on the surface of the tea. These are better treated as saucer biscuits. A few bags crushed together also make a quick cheesecake base, and because each bag holds 25g, the weighing is done for you.

The packs we stock

- Walker's Shortbread Wee Shorties Mini Shortbread Fingers Multipack, 6 x 25g (barcode 039047700154)

What the label says

The published ingredient list for Walker's Shortbread Wee Shorties Mini Shortbread Fingers Multipack, 6 x 25g (barcode 039047700154) says it contains wheat (gluten) and milk. Check the current UK pack before purchase; formulations and allergen advice can change.

Ingredients, as published: Wheat flour (wheat flour, calcium carbonate, niacin, iron, folic acid, thiamin), butter (milk) (35%), sugar, salt.

Typical values per 100g	**Per 100g**
Energy	532 kcal
Fat	30.4g
of which saturates	18.8g
Carbohydrate	58.4g
of which sugars	16.4g
Fibre	2g
Protein	5.6g
Salt	0.7g

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

What to drink with it

- Teapigs Earl Grey Strong, 15 Tea Bags 37.5g: A strong Earl Grey has the tannin to cut the butter and the bergamot to lift it.
- Brew Tea Co Earl Grey Proper, 15 Tea Bags 45g: A bagged Earl Grey to brew in the office mug, next to a bag from the desk drawer.
- Dragonfly Organic Cape Chai Rooibos, 40 Tea Bags 80g: Warm chai spice against plain butter shortbread makes a good afternoon break for anyone off black tea.

- Teapigs Darjeeling Earl Grey, 15 Tea Bags 37.5g: A lighter Earl Grey for a gentle cup, since shortbread's low sweetness will not drown it.

Elsewhere in the Walker's range

- Walker's Chocolate & Caramel Wee Chunkies Shortbread, 125g
- Walker's Shortbread Fingers, 10 Pack 160g
- Walker's Shortbread Highlanders, 8 Pack 160g

The full range is on the Walker's brand page.

FAQ

How many bags are in a pack of Wee Shorties? Six sealed bags of 25g each, which is 150g in total.

Are Wee Shorties the same as Walker's full-size shortbread fingers? They are made to the same family recipe, only smaller, so each bite has more edge and eats a little drier and cleaner.

What allergens are in Walker's Wee Shorties? The allergen statement for this barcode lists wheat (gluten) and milk. Check the current pack before buying.

Can I use Wee Shorties for a cheesecake base? Yes. Crush a few bags together; at 25g a bag, the weighing is already done.

Where should I keep Wee Shorties? In a cool cupboard, well away from the oven. Not the fridge, which dries shortbread out.

Curator's note: Drop a bag into your coat pocket before a winter walk and save it for the halfway stop. Shortbread always tastes better earned. Lee, teas.co.uk, Tunbridge Wells.

In short: Walker's Wee Shorties: shortbread in lunchbox portions

Field	Detail
Brand	Walker's
Packs we stock	6 x 25g
Category	Shortbread
Allergens (as published)	It contains wheat (gluten) and milk.
Dunkable	Briefly, two seconds at most
Take it	On walks and in lunchboxes
Best with	A plain black tea or Earl Grey

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