



Afternoon tea in heaven! These little sponge cupcakes are popped into a chocolate mould teacup and iced for that cherry on top effect!



(top left) Tempt any Cinderella with a Louis Vuitton handbag and matching chocolate shoes. In a soft sponge cake with sugar paste icing and fancy gold trim, the handbag is totally edible – and if the shoes fit, snack on them before someone else does.  
(left) There are few treats more feminine than receiving a box of girlie clothing – except perhaps a matching cake!

## Waheeda Sadik

'As a child, I used to watch my mother bake – and the special things were what really drew me. Now a specialist in sweetmeats, novelty cakes and with a countrywide reputation for ambrosial biscuits, Waheeda can't imagine doing anything else. 'I'm so lucky – I love what I do, and I make money at the same time!' But the icing wasn't always smooth for her. 'We

went through a bad financial patch, and on top of this, I was at home with a small child. I'd been baking for family functions, but the situation pushed me to sell what I was doing. I'm so grateful I was forced to extend myself – doing the necessary courses and marketing – because I couldn't be happier now.'

Waheeda's experience in novelty cakes has been greatly extended by

the Hindu and Muslim burfee nights – the evening before a wedding when gifts are exchanged between the bridal parties. No surprise that Waheeda's cakes have travelled as far as Jordan, Ireland and Dubai!

Waheeda's wackiest creation: a bustier handbag for a mother-in-law! 'I was so nervous, but she was delighted, and it's still the talk of the town!'