

## **INGREDIENTS:**

1 cup softened unsalted butter

1 cup icing sugar

1 egg

1 teaspoon almond extract

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

23/4 cups plain flour

1 teaspoon baking powder

1 teaspoon salt

3/4 cup whole almonds

Few drops of green food colouring if you want your fingers 'mouldy'

1 tube red or black gel



## **METHOD:**

- 1. In a bowl, beat butter, sugar, egg, almond and vanilla extract.
- 2. Slowly beat in flour, baking powder and salt.
- 3. Add a few drops of green food colouring now, if you want the mouldy effect.
- 4. Cover and refrigerate the dough for 30 minutes.
- 5. Remove from fridge and roll heaped tablespoons of dough into finger shapes for each cookie.
- 6. Squeeze the dough to create knuckles and use a toothpick to make finger creases.
- 7. Make an indentation with your finger at the end of each cookie where the nail will go and and fill with a squeeze of red or black gel.
- 8. Press the almond into the nail spot so the red gel oozes out slightly on the sides.
- 9. Place on lightly greased baking sheets or trays lined with baking paper.
- 10. Bake in a 160C oven for 20-25 minutes or until golden. Place on racks to cool. Makes about 28 fingers.