



# BLOODY BRAIN



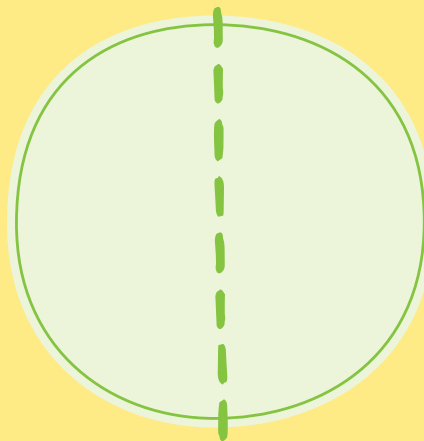
Follow the blood trail and be prepared to be GROSSED OUT!  
The perfect trick or treat at any spooky celebration!  
I love how simple this hack is but as soon as you add  
the jam BLOOD it's enough to creep anyone out.

## You Will Need

- 25cm round cake board
- 1 piping bag
- 1 large round piping tip
- 1 sieve
- 1 20cm round cake (see pages 10–13)
- 1 batch Tigga's buttercream (see page 15)
- red gel food colouring
- 1 375g jar raspberry jam

## Cut the Cake!

Okie dokie, following the cutting guide,  
cut the cake in half down the middle.



## 1 Colour

First make the coloured buttercream – remember to add the food colouring a little at a time until you are happy with the result. Colour the buttercream pale pink.



## 2 Assembly

Spread a little buttercream on the cake board where the cake will sit. This will be the glue that stops the cake from moving around while you are decorating it. Sandwich the 2 cake halves together with a layer of buttercream and stand the cake upright on the board.



## 3 Buttercream Time

Using a palette knife, cover the entire cake in pink buttercream. This is the crumb coat. It doesn't have to be perfect as you will be piping over it! Chill in the fridge for 10 minutes or until firm.



## 4 BRAAAIIIIINNNNS

Pop the round piping tip into your piping bag and fill the bag with pale pink buttercream. Using a palette knife or skewer, mark out a line down the centre of your cake, to create the two hemispheres of the brain. Pipe squiggly lines on either side until the entire brain is covered. Chill the cake in the fridge for 30 minutes or until completely firm. It is important to make sure the cake is fully chilled before moving on to the next step.



### Tigga's Tips ★

Make extra pink buttercream and use the same piping technique for matching brain cupcakes!



## 5 Blood

For the blood, we are going to use jam. Place it in a bowl and stir in a little warm water. If your jam is not red enough, add some red gel colouring to the jam to make it look more like BLOOD. Strain the jam through a sieve to remove any seeds and lumps. Using a pastry brush, carefully apply the jam all over the brain until it is covered and add some splatters to the cake board to create a terrifying blood-soaked scene!

