If you are having a space themed party then these comical alien cupcakes are not only fun, but quick and easy to do.

First bake your cupcakes in a range of bright coloured cupcakes cases and pour a little extra cake mix into each case so that they bake slightly more domed than normal. While your cupcakes are baking, you can design your aliens on paper so that they are all slightly different!

**Step 2**

Once your cupcakes have cooled down, spread buttercream over the top of each one and cover in a circle of green sugarpaste.

Move straight onto decorating so that the sugarpaste is still soft.

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Start by shaping the mouths on each cupcake; it’s definitely more fun if you give all the aliens different expressions.

Press a bone tool firmly into the icing to create the aliens with open mouths.

Next use a large straw or the PME scallop tool pressed into the icing to shape the outside of the mouths and score the mouth inbetween with a small knife (we used the PME leaf tool).

**Step 3**

Roll out a little white and black sugarpaste and cut out small white circles for the eyes, adding smaller black circles for the pupils.

The PME circle plunger cutters make this really quick and easy as you simply cut then plunge the sugarpaste circle out.

**Step 4**

For each ear, roll green sugarpaste into a ball and mould into a cone shape. Press the bone tool firmly into the bottom of the cone to add the ear hole and attach to the cupcake with edible glue.

**Step 5**

Lastly pop each cupcake into a clear domed muffin holder which not only looks very ‘space like’ but is practical as each guest can take one home!