## **CHEESE STARS**



## **INGREDIENTS**

- 140g plain/all-purpose flour
- 60g salted or unsalted butter, chilled and cut into small cubes
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 110g extra mature Cheddar, finely grated
- 1 large free-range egg yolk
- 2 teaspoons English or Dijon mustard

## **METHOD**

- 1. Weigh the flour out into a large mixing bowl. Add the cubed butter and using your fingertips rub the butter into the flour until the mixture resembles fine breadcrumbs.
- 2. Add the salt and cayenne and mix through. Now add the grated cheese and mix again until combined.
- 3. Add the egg yolk along with the mustard and gently mix until a ball of dough forms. Cover the dough in clingfilm and leave to rest in the fridge for 30 minutes. Preheat oven to 180°C / 160°C Fan / 350°F / Gas Mark 4.
- 4. Once the dough has chilled for half an hour, lightly dust a work surface with flour. Roll the dough out until it's roughly 1/8 inch thick.
- 5. Using any shaped cutter you like cut out pieces of the dough and place on a 1-2 large non-stick baking trays. Bake for 12-15 minutes until the biscuits are golden. Once they've finished baking, remove from the oven and leave to cool on the tray for a few minutes. Carefully transport to a wire rack to finish cooling completely. Biscuits will store in an airtight container for up to 3 days.