CHOCOLATE ARTIST

Week 1: Introduction and Basics

Day 1: Introduction to Chocolate

- o History of chocolate
- Different types of chocolate (dark, milk, white)
- Tasting session

• Day 2: Tools and Equipment

- Overview of essential tools
- Maintenance and care of tools
- Safety measures in the kitchen

Day 3: Tempering Chocolate

- Importance of tempering
- Different tempering methods (seeding, tabling, microwave)
- o Practical session on tempering

Day 4: Molding and Shaping

- Types of molds
- Techniques for using molds
- Making basic chocolate shapes

Day 5: Filling and Flavoring

- Types of fillings (ganache, praline, fruit purees)
- Flavor combinations
- Practical session on making filled chocolates

Day 6: Decoration Basics

- Introduction to chocolate decorations
- Techniques for basic decorations (piping, drizzling)
- Practical session on decorating chocolates

Week 2: Intermediate Techniques

• Day 1: Chocolate Sculpting

- Introduction to chocolate sculpting
- Basic sculpting techniques
- o Practical session on small sculptures

• Day 2: Advanced Tempering and Troubleshooting

- Dealing with common tempering issues
- o Techniques for achieving perfect tempering
- Practical session

• Day 3: Advanced Moulding Techniques

- Using complex moulds
- Creating multi-layered chocolates
- Practical session

Day 4: Chocolate Ganache and Truffles

- Making perfect ganache
- Techniques for making truffles
- Practical session

Day 5: Chocolate Bonbons

- Creating bonbon shells
- Filling and sealing bonbons
- Practical session

Day 6: Artistic Presentation

- Plating and presentation techniques
- Using edible gold, glitter, and other decorations
- Practical session

Week 3: Advanced Techniques and Design

• Day 1: Chocolate Showpieces

- o Planning a chocolate showpiece
- Structural integrity and support
- o Practical session on showpiece base

Day 2: Detailed Sculpting

- Carving intricate details
- Adding textures and patterns
- Practical session

Day 3: Painting with Chocolate

- Techniques for coloring chocolate
- o Hand-painting designs on chocolate
- Practical session

Day 4: Airbrushing Techniques

- Introduction to airbrushing
- Using airbrush on chocolate
- Practical session

• Day 5: Theme-Based Designs

- Creating chocolates based on a theme (e.g., nature, festivals)
- Practical session on themed designs

Day 6: Collaboration Project

- Working in teams to create a large chocolate piece
- Planning and execution
- Presentation of the project

Week 4: Final Projects and Professional Skills

Day 1: Designing Your Signature Chocolate

- o Conceptualizing a unique chocolate creation
- Sketching and planning
- o Practical session

• Day 2: Production Planning

- Efficient production techniques
- Managing time and resources
- o Practical session

Day 3: Packaging and Marketing

Designing attractive packaging

- Branding and marketing strategies
- o Practical session on packaging

• Day 4: Business Skills for Chocolate Artists

- Setting up a chocolate business
- o Pricing and cost management
- Marketing and sales strategies

• Day 5: Final Project Work

- o Final touches on signature chocolate
- Preparing for presentation

• Day 6: Final Presentation and Evaluation

- Presentation of final projects
- Peer and instructor feedback
- Course evaluation and certification ceremony

Materials Needed:

- Various types of chocolate (dark, milk, white)
- Molds of different shapes and sizes
- Sculpting tools
- Tempering tools (thermometers, marble slab, etc.)
- Airbrush and edible colors
- Ingredients for fillings (cream, fruits, nuts, etc.)
- Packaging materials
- Safety gear (aprons, gloves, etc.)

Additional Notes:

- Ensure all ingredients and tools are ready before each session.
- Allocate extra time for cleaning and maintenance of tools and workspace.
- Encourage creativity and experimentation within the framework of the lessons.