

Māori glossary: Food Technology

Baking powder – Pēkena paura

A food additive to allow a certain cooking action to happen

Baking soda – Pēkena hora

A food additive to allow a certain cooking action to happen

Baking tins – Tini keke

A range of shallow trays for baking/cooking food items

Bowls – Rīhi

Containers for mixing food items together

Can Opener – Tīwara

A small hand-powered gadget to remove metal tops from tin cans safely

Cups – Kapu

Items for drinking liquids from

Dryer – Mīhini whakamaroke kaka

A machine-driven device for drying items of clothing

Electric hand beaters – Kōheri

Hand-held electric mixing tools for mechanically cutting, mixing, stirring food

Fish slice – Huri ika

A large hand tool for lifting fish and turning it in large pans

Flour – Puehu parāoa

A basic food item used in cooking and made from wheat

Food processor – Nakunaku kai

An electrical machine for mixing and cutting food in its raw state

Frying pans – Parai

Herbs – Amiami

A group of plants that give distinctive tastes and flavours to food

Icing sugar – Huka puehu

Refined sugar finely ground and used on baked items

Measuring cups – Kapu ine

A range of different sized cups to measure set amounts of food items

Mixed herbs – Rauamiami

Pans – Kōhua

A range of containers of different sizes for holding food to be cooked

Peeler – Pīhore

A hand-held gadget for peeling the skin from food

Plates – Pereti

Items used for eating off

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Pots – Kōhua

A range of containers of different sizes for holding food to be cooked

Salt – Tote

A basic food item derived from sea water, dried and used to enhance food taste

Sieve – Tātari

A special perforated bowl-shaped item for draining liquid from food

Slotted spoon – Pune kōputaputa

A hand tool that lifts and mixes food items and drains off the liquid

Spatula – Pātura

A hand tool for lifting and turning food items whilst they cook

Spices – Raukikini

A group of natural plants, nuts, berries and powers that give distinctive flavours to food

Sugar – Huka

A basic food item for making food sweeter to taste

Toaster – Tāina

An electrical machine that cooks and browns bread products for eating

Utensils – Utauta

Hand held tools for mixing, cutting, lifting, mashing food items

Washing machine – Mīhini horoi kaka

A machine-driven device for washing items of clothing

Wooden spoon – Pune rākau

A hand tool for mixing and lifting liquid food