



Product Name: Mini Belgian Chocolate Ice Creams Supplier: Waitrose Ltd

Overall Product Score: 40 Norm: 42 Max: 50 Min: 26 CMR Reference: 140410

Concept Appeal:

Sales Potential:

Product Appeal:

The product descriptor was appealing, and expectations of an up-market, premium quality ice cream selection were high.

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A tasty combination of different chocolate coatings and creamy ice cream, but disappointingly not outstanding compared with branded and own label competitors.

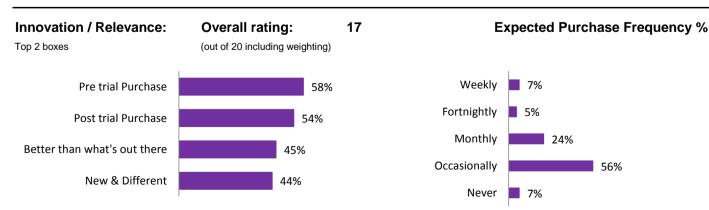
Within a highly competitive sector, the product has good sales potential, particularly during the summer months.



Fast Foodfax Verdict:

There was plenty of pre-trial interest in this selection of Mini Belgian Chocolate Ice Creams, with the 'eye-catching' packaging and Waitrose branding promising an indulgent treat. The assorted coatings of Belgian milk chocolate, white chocolate and chocolate with almonds appealed to sweet-toothed respondents, whilst the 'mini' size made them handy for children as well as adults. The ice creams achieved good mean scores for taste and texture, with 'thick', 'sweet' chocolate surrounding 'creamy' ice cream centres, although within a high scoring category, these fell slightly below the norm. Some complained of a lack of vanilla flavour to the ice cream, or a 'bitter' aftertaste, describing this product as 'nothing special' compared with similar branded and own label equivalents and 'disappointing' for a Waitrose product. The pattern of scoring for post-trial purchase intention remained fairly consistent with pre-trial levels, with below average value for money ratings impacting on buying frequency, particularly amongst Southern groups. A tasty weekend treat from the freezer, but not the luxurious indulgence many had expected.

Product Key Measures:	Mean Scores	Likes & Dislikes : (in their own words) Light tasting /indulgent /rich /good sized treat /value /good selection /clear attractive pack/quality brand name/excellent overall impression /creamy & sweet /nice thick chocolate /eye- catching packaging /handy size. Boring cheap looking pack /ice-Cream not as good as Aldi or					
Pre Test Interest in Purchase	3.73						
Initial Appeal	4.33						
Appearance	3.96						
Smell	3.49	Magnum /expect better from Waitrose /bitter aftertaste /more					
Taste	4.07	expensive than other supermarkets /ice cream should be more					
Texture	4.07	^{vani} bescription of Produ	Sales Potential				
Packaging	3.89	Ideal for chilling out	47%	Woul	d Buy Intention		
Health	2.64	For midweek	22%				
Value for Money	3.36	I would recommend this product	16%		Product		
Overall Impression	3.86	Ideal when entertaining	22%		Tested		
Would Buy Intention	3.65	Weekend treat	60%	Definitely	22%		
Mean Total	37.33	Would buy on special offer	20%				
Characteristics mean total	37	For kids	53%	Probably	31%		
Weighting factor	3	Not for me	7%				
Overall product score out of 50	40	A good standby	22%				



Test Details	Overall Sample Size:	55	Adults only	Preparation: F	TE Price: £2.5	Weight: 8 x 50ml
	Norm Category:	91	Individual/Hand Held Ice	Creams	Research Date: Tues 01.04.14	