



“phenti hui” coffee like this since ages.

This year saw bloggers, instagrammers and TikTokers turn towards making a dalgona coffee with such zeal, one would think that whipping coffee by hand was one of the ways you could directly transport yourself to 2021.

It was definitely everywhere though for a few months. The frothy coffee cream on top sure made it look good on the gram and kept the trend from dying out. Did you also make one?

TREND 3: TRES LECHES



Trust us to take a simple dessert and replicate it so many times and in so many ways that it basically gets reduced to being a punchline. This year we saw a rose-flavoured tres leches, a tiramisu one, a coffee one, a lotus one, a chocolate one, one with seasonal fruits, a mini-sized one, a full-sized one and one that wasn't a tres leches at all but a chocolate malt cake but who are we to call it out?

Basically, almost every home-based bakery did a variant and we found

ourselves surrounded with more options than we could possibly handle.

Some of our favourite places that made a really good tres leches include Imperial Cakes and Loaf Out Loud, and don't worry, we ain't forgetting the OG Auntie Munaver's anytime soon either.

TREND 4: DIY KITS



DIY Kits were what many restaurants turned to when the lockdown restrictions meant that people wouldn't be able to dine out. We saw a taco DIY Kit, a brownie DIY kit, a burrito DIY kit and a pasta one too! One of the more popular DIY kits was by 2 Guys 1 Grill, who put together a kit for their donut burgers with their respective ingredients labelled out and a step-by-step instruction manual on how to assemble the burger.

“I think a lot of young couples, who don't live with their parents, struggle with their meals. Most can't afford domestic help if they are also busy with their work schedules, this is where the DIY food kits step in,” says Asim Siddiqui, co-founder of 2G1G.

He says the demand for the kit still exists, even though not with the same intensity as before - when the lockdown was imposed.

TREND 5: PLATTERS AND BASKETS

