

hands up poker

Ice cream flavour of New Zealand

Hokey pokey is a flavour of ice cream in New Zealand

consisting of plain vanilla O , £ ice cream with small, solid lumps of honeycomb toffee.

Hokey pokey is the New Zealand term for honeycomb toffee.[2][3][4][5]

The O , £ original

recipe until around 1980 consisted of solid toffee, but in a marketing change, Tip Top

decided to use small O , £ balls of honeycomb toffee instead.

It is the second-most popular

ice cream flavour behind vanilla in New Zealand,[6] and is a O , £ frequently cited example

of Kiwiana.[7] It is also exported to Japan, Australia, and the Pacific Islands.[8]

Origins and etymology [edit O , £]

The term hokey pokey has been used in

reference to honeycomb toffee in New Zealand since the late 19th century. O , £ The origin of

this term, in reference to honeycomb specifically, is not known with certainty, and it

is not until O , £ the mid-20th century that hokey pokey ice cream was created.[citation

needed]

Coincidentally, "hokey pokey" was a slang term for ice cream O , £ in general in the

19th and early 20th centuries in several areas including New York City[9] and parts

of O , £ Great Britain specifically for the ice cream sold by street vendors or "hokey

pokey men". The vendors, said to O , £ be mostly of Italian descent, supposedly used a sales

pitch or song involving the phrase "hokey pokey", for which several O , £ origins have been

suggested. One such song in use in 1930s Liverpool was "Hokey pok ey penny a lump,

that's the O , £ stuff to make ye jump";[10]

The term hokey pokey likely has multiple

origins. One of these is the expression "hocus-pocus", which O , £ is possibly the source of

the name hokey pokey in New Zealand. As a general name for ice cream outside O , £ New

Zealand, it may be a corruption of one of several Italian phrases. According to "The

Encyclopedia of Food" (published O , £ 1923, New York) hokey pokey (in the U.S.) is "a term

applied to mixed colors and flavors of ice cream O , £ in cake form"