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We hope this holiday
season brings you
together with
family and friends
enjoying the sweetness
and warmth of freshly
baked cookies!

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almond bark white trash

RECIPE FROM: Stephanie Wilkinson, COO



INGREDIENTS

4 cups rice Chex

4 cups corn Chex cereal

4 cups cheerios

4 cups Angie's Boom Chick a Pop popcorn

4 cups mini holiday M&Ms

1 can peanuts

1 can mixed nuts

1 can pretzels

1 1/2 pound almond bark

1 container holiday sprinkles

DIRECTIONS

Melt almond bark over double boiler (or 2 minutes in microwave). DO NOT OVERCOOK. Stir frequently while melting.

Immediately pour over mix, mixing thoroughly. Spread out on wax paper.

When cool break into smaller pieces.





anise cookies

RECIPE FROM: Maria Gambacorta, Marketing

INGREDIENTS

6 cups flour

4 tsp. baking powder

1 tsp. baking soda

3 sticks of butter, soft

2 cups sugar

4 eggs

1 pint sour cream

1 1/2 tsp. anise flavor

Icing

2 cups powdered sugar (add gradually)

2 tbsp. milk

1 tsp. vanilla

Nonpareils or any seasonal decorative sprinkles

DIRECTIONS

Mix all dry ingredients and set aside. Next, cream together butter, sugar, eggs, and sour cream in an extra-large missing bowl. Add anise flavor. Add dry ingredients a little at a time. Combine and mix until a soft batter forms. Using a teaspoon, drop batter or roll into balls on a parchment lined (or greased) cookie sheet. Bake on the top rack at 350 degrees for 12 minutes or until cookies are golden brown.

Once cookies have cooled frost and decorate with nonpareils or any seasonal decorative sprinkles.
Let glaze harden completely before storing.





Banana cream Pie Cookies



RECIPE FROM: Emilie Wuerch, Tax Department

INGREDIENTS

1 cup butter, softened

3/4 cup brown sugar

1/4 cup white sugar

2 eggs

1 packet (3.4 oz) of instant banana cream

pudding

1 tsp. vanilla

2 1/4 cups flour

1 tsp. baking soda

1/2 tsp. baking powder

3/4 cup white chocolate chips

1/2 cup chopped pecans, optional

DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Blend butter and sugars together, mix in eggs, then add pudding packet and vanilla. Blend.

Mix in 1 1/4 cups of flour, all baking soda, and all baking powder until mixture is uniform. Add remaining 1 cup of flour and blend again. Add in chocolate chips and pecans.

Bake for 8-10 minutes or until bottoms are golden brown. Cookies will appear to be under-cooked until cooled.





BOURBON BALLS

RECIPE FROM: Megan Mahaney, Administration

INGREDIENTS

1 package vanilla wafers

1 cup powdered sugar

1 cup nuts (walnuts or pecans)

3 tbsp. maple syrup

1/2 cup bourbon (I used black cherry

bourbon)

DIRECTIONS

In a blender or food processor, blend together all ingredients until a semi-smooth paste forms. Shape into quarter-size balls and roll in powdered sugar

Refrigerate for at least two hours to harden.





candy cane chocolate * CHIP PUDDING COOKIES

RECIPE FROM: Audit Department

INGREDIENTS

1 stick softened butter

1/2 cup granulated sugar

1/2 cup light brown sugar

1 large egg

1/2 tsp. pure vanilla extract

1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour

3 tbsp. vanilla instant pudding mix

1/2 tsp. kosher salt

1/2 tsp. baking soda

1/2 cup chocolate chips

1/2 cup candy cane bits

DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 350 degrees and line baking sheet with parchment paper.





Cream butter and sugars in stand mixer or large bowl with spoon. Add egg and vanilla mixing until well combined. Slowly stir in flour, pudding mix, salt and baking soda. Mix partially then add chips and candy cane bits. Mix until dough forms then scoop onto baking sheet 1 inch apart. Bake for 13-15 minutes or until baked through. Remove and let cool. If cookies have spread, take a knife right after out of the oven and shape if desired.

Serve at room temperature.

CHai shickerdoodles

RECIPE FROM: Michē Needham, Tax Department

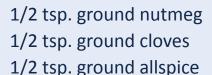
INGREDIENTS

Chai Spice Blend

3 tsp. ground cinnamon

4 tsp. ground ginger

1/2 tsp ground cardamom





Cookies

1 cup salted butter, room temp

1 cup white sugar

1/2 cup brown sugar

2 eggs, room temp

3 1/3 cup flour

1/2 tsp. salt

1 1/2 tsp. baking soda

1 1/2 tsp. cream of tartar

3 tsp. chai spice blend



DIRECTIONS

Mix the chai spices together and set aside. Cream the butter, white sugar, and brown sugar together in a mixer until light and fluffy, mixing for about 2-3, then add the egg and continue to mix for another 2 minutes. Mix the dry ingredient together in a bowl then slowly add the dry ingredients to the mixer. Mix until everything is incorporated. Place the dough in the fridge to chill for 30

minutes.

Use your hands to roll the dough into even balls, then roll into the bowl of sugar and chai spice mix. Place the coookies on a baking sheet lined with parchment paper and bake for 10-12 minutes at 350 degrees. Let cool on cooling rack for five minutes before eating.



CHERRY ALMOND SUBAR COOKIES



RECIPE FROM: Megan Mahaney, Administration

INGREDIENTS

1 box of classic white cake mix

2 eggs

1/3 cup of oil

1 1/2 tsp. almond extract
A small brick of almond paste
Cherry preserves (or jelly)

Icing

1 cup confectioner's sugar

1 tbsp. milk

Almond extract
Slivered almonds

DIRECTIONS

Mix cake mix, eggs, oil, and almond extract together. Cut your almond paste into little pieces and roll into one inch balls. Make a well in a tablespoon sized ball of dough. Spoon in about a teaspoon of cherry preserves. Lay one of your almond paste balls on top of the preserves. Close the dough around the filling and lay your cookies on a greased cookie sheet about two inches apart.

Bake at 350 degrees for about 11 minutes. Once they come out of the oven let them cool on a drying rack.





CHERRY WALNUT BARS

RECIPE FROM: Kerry Roets, Tax Department

INGREDIENTS

2 1/4 cups flour

1/2 cup sugar

1 cup butter

2 eggs

1 cup brown sugar

1/2 tsp. baking powder

1 2 oz. jar of cherries - cut up

1/2 tsp. vanilla

1/2 tsp. salt

1/2 cup walnuts

1 cup.confectioners sugar

Coconut, for sprinkling

DIRECTIONS

Mix flour, sugar, and butter. Press into 13 x 9 pan and bake for 20 minutes at 350.



In a separate bowl, mix eggs, brown sugar, baking powder, cherries, vanilla, salt, and walnuts. Add mixture to cookie crust and bake 25 minutes. Mix one cup of confectioners sugar with cherry juice from jar. Spread on top. Sprinkle with coconut, let cool, then cut into bars.



CHOCOLATE MOCHA COOKIES



RECIPE FROM: Michē Needham, Tax Department

INGREDIENTS

1/2 cup unsalted sweet cream butter

1 1/2 cups ESPRESSO chocolate chips

1 1/2 cup flour

1/4 cup cocoa powder

1 1/2 tsp. baking powder

1/4 tsp. salt

1 1/4 cups brown sugar

3 large eggs

1 1/2 tsp. vanilla extract

12 large marshmallows cut in half

Chocolate Icing

2 cups powdered sugar

4 tbsp. unsalted sweet cream butter,

melted

1/4 cup cocoa powder

1/4 cup hot water

1/2 tsp. vanilla extract

Christmas sprinkles

DIRECTIONS

For the dough:

In a double boiler, melt the butter, and chocolate, stirring frequently. Once melted, set aside to cool.

In a medium bowl, whisk together the flour, cocoa powder, baking powder, and salt. In a standing mixer, beat the sugar, eggs, and vanilla on low speed until combined. Add the cooled chocolate and mix until combined. Gradually add in the flour ingredients and mix until combined. Scoop the dough (will be brownie like texture) into a bowl and cover with foil and place into the fridge for 4 hours.

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CHOCOLATE MOCHA COOKIES

RECIPE FROM: Michē Needham, Tax Department

DIRECTIONS (cont.)

Preheat oven to 325 degrees and line a cookie sheet with parchment paper. Using a small ice cream scoop, scoop some batter into your hands and roll into a ball. Place cookies about 2 inches apart. Bake the cookies for about 10 minutes.

While cookies are baking, cut the marshmallows in half. Once cookies are baked, place a marshmallow into the center of the cookies and lightly press down. Place cookies back into the oven for another 2-3 minutes. Place a wire rack over another cookie sheet to allow the icing to drip off. Once cookies are done baking let cool for a few minutes before transferring to a wire rack while you make the icing.

For the icing:

Combine all ingredients into a large mixing bowl and mix until combined. If the icing is still t0o thick, add about 3 tbsp. of hot water to it to thin it out. Using a spoon, spoon some icing onto the marshmallow on the cookie. Repeat step number 3 onto a few more cookies. Sprinkle a little bit of sprinkles onto the cookies.

Repeat the last two steps onto the remaining cookies. Remember to only put icing onto a few cookies at a time because the icing will dry fast. Once all the cookies have icing and sprinkles ENJOY!





CHOCOLATE ORGO TRUFFLES

RECIPE FROM: Christine Proulx Grzyb, Marketing



INGREDIENTS

28-30 Oreo cookies, or other chocolate cookies of a similar size 8 oz. cream cheese, softened 12 oz. dark chocolate chips

4-6 oz.white chocolate chips (optional)2-3 tbsp. crushed peppermints or candy canesAssorted holiday sprinkles

DIRECTIONS

Crush the oreo cookies by hand or using a food processor. Then mix in the softened cream cheese with the crushed cookies. Press the batter into small balls and place on plates or a cutting board lined with parchment or wax paper. Pop these in the freezer for 15-20 minutes.

Melt the dark chocolate in a double boiler or in the microwave. If melting in the microwave, use a heatproof bowl and heat for 30 seconds at a time, stirring until fully melted.

Use a fork to dip the chilled balls in the melted chocolate. Gently tap the fork on the side of the bowl with the truffle on the end to remove excess chocolate. Place back on the lined plate. Immediately cover with sprinkles or crushed peppermints and white chocolate if desired.





* CHOCOLAte Peanut Butter CHIP COOKIES

RECIPE FROM: Tax Department

INGREDIENTS

1 cup butter

1 ½ cups sugar

2 eggs

2 tsp. vanilla

2 cups flour

2/3 cup baking cocoa

¾ tsp. baking soda

½ tsp. salt

2 cups (1 bag) peanut butter chips

DIRECTIONS

Cream butter, sugar, eggs, and vanilla until light and fluffy. Combine flour cocoa, baking soda, and salt. Add to creamed mixture and stir until blended. Stir in peanut butter chips. Drop onto an ungreased cookie sheet. Bake at 350 degrees for 8-10 minutes. Remove from pan and place on a cooling rack.









CHRISTMAS CRACKLE



RECIPE FROM: Kelly Mandell-Klumpp, Brisbane Consulting

INGREDIENTS

1 cup packed light brown sugar

1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter

1 pinch of salt

Approximately 1 sleeve of Saltines 2 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips

DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. While oven is preheating, line a rimmed baking sheet with tin foil. Place Saltines on tin foil in a single layer (break Saltines in half to line edges if needed).

Over medium heat, combine light brown sugar, butter, and salt in a sauce pan, stirring frequently until the butter is melted. Once melted, continuously stir for 3-5 additional minutes until bubbly and slightly browned. (Melted sugar will be very hot! Use caution.) Remove from heat for 30 seconds, while continuing to stir. Then pour mixture evenly over Saltines and spread slightly.

Place baking sheet in oven for 5 minutes. During this time, measure out chocolate chips. Remove baking sheet from over and immediately pour chocolate chips over saltines and let sit for 3-5 minutes.

Spread melted chocolate chips evenly over saltines. Let cool in fridge or freezer (or outside if winter weather allows) until toffee sets and chocolate is not malleable.

Roughly chop or break into smaller pieces. Store in an airtight container and keep in a cool, dry place.



CLASSIC GINGERBREAD COOKIES





INGREDIENTS

1 cup butter (2 sticks), at room temperature (salted or unsalted)

1 cup granulated white sugar

1 egg

1 cup light or dark molasses (do not use

blackstrap or cooking molasses)

2 tbsp. white vinegar

5 cups all-purpose flour

1 1/2 teaspoons baking soda

1/2 tsp. salt

2 tsp. ground ginger

1 tsp. ground cinnamon

1 tsp. ground cloves

DIRECTIONS

Add the butter and sugar to a large bowl and beat until the mixture is light and fluffy, about three minutes. Scrape down the sides as needed. Add the egg, molasses, and vinegar. Beat to combine well. The mixture will look a bit curdled. Add the flour, baking soda, salt, ginger, cinnamon, and cloves to the bowl and mix to combine well. The dough should come together when you press it in your hands and shouldn't be crumbly.

Divide the dough into two even pieces, wrap each piece of dough in plastic wrap, and refrigerate for 30 to 90 minutes.



When the dough is done chilling, preheat oven to 350 degrees. Working in sections, roll the dough to 1/2 inch thick on a floured surface; cut into desired shapes.

Place shapes on a baking sheet lined with parchment paper or a baking mat. Gather and reroll "scraps" of dough as needed, using all of the dough. Bake at 350 degrees for 9-11 minutes. Let the cookies cool on the pan for 5 minutes, and then move to a cooling rack. Leave plain or decorate.

COLORADO CHIP COOKICS

RECIPE FROM: Kelly Mandell-Klumpp, Brisbane Consulting

INGREDIENTS



Cookie dough using your favorite chocolate cookie recipe, or your favorite store bought dough

A half sheet will yield approximately 24 large cookies. To make small cookies, cut an 'X' into each square to yield 48 cookies.

DIRECTIONS

Preheat your oven to 325 degrees Fahrenheit.

Using your favorite chocolate cookie recipe (or your favorite store-bought dough), make enough cookie dough to fill a sheet pan of your choosing. For a half sheet pan (approximately 18"x13"0.75"), you will need approximately 3 pounds of dough.

Spread the dough evenly on over a parchment-lined sheet pan, using your hands. Dough should be approximately 0.25" thick and no more than 0.5" deep.

Cook dough until a lightly browned crust has formed, but dough is still chewy in the center. In the case of a half sheet pan, this takes about 18 minutes.

Working quickly, remove from oven and use a knife to cut a grid into the dough, try to make squares that are approximately 3.5"x3.5". Then cut each square on the diagonal to form right-angle triangle.

Return to oven for an additional five minutes until each individual triangle has browned edges.

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COLORADO CHIP COOKIES

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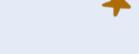
DIRECTIONS (cont.)

Remove from oven and using the parchment paper to slide the cookie slab onto a cooling rake. Allow to cool for 30 minutes.

To create the snow capped mountain look (optional), there are several ways to achieve the look, including:

- Dip each peak in melted white chocolate and return to the parchment paper to cool.
- Lightly frost each peak with your favorite white frosting. Bonus points for adding nonpareils on top of the frosting!
- With a clean brush, dust the peaks with confectioners' sugar.









Dark Chocolate guinness cookies



RECIPE FROM: Megan Mahaney, Administration

INGREDIENTS

1 cup butter, room temperature

1 1/2 cups sugar

2 eggs

1/2 cup Guinness

2 cups flour

1 cup dark cocoa

1 tsp. kosher salt

1 tsp. baking soda

11 oz. semi-sweet chocolate chips

DIRECTIONS

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees and prepare sheet pans with silpats or parchment paper.

In the bowl of a standing mixer, cream together the butter and sugar until creamy. Add the eggs and beat until fluffy. Add the Guinness. Combine the dry ingredients and add to the batter. Add the chocolate chips and mix well.

Scoop the batter onto the sheet pan and bake the cookies for 10 minutes. Let the cookies cool on the sheet pan and enjoy! Recipe yields 2 dozen cookies





DOUBLE CHOCOLATE PEPPERMINT COOKIES

RECIPE FROM: Kelly Mandell-Klumpp, Brisbane Consulting

INGREDIENTS

1 2/3 cups all-purpose flour

1 cup unsweetened cocoa powder

1 tsp. baking soda

1 cup unsalted butter, softened

1 1/4 cups granulated sugar

3/4 cup packed light brown sugar

2 large eggs

2 tsp. vanilla extract

1 tsp. peppermint extract

16 oz. white chocolate

1/4-1/2 cup crushed peppermint

DIRECTIONS

In a separate bowl, mix together flour, cocoa powder, baking soda. Set aside. In a mixing bowl/stand mixer, cream butter, granulated sugar, and brown sugar. Whisk in one egg at a time. Slowly add flower mixture. Scoop and shape 1 tbsp. dough balls and place on parchment paper lined baking sheet, spaced approx 1.5-2 inches apart. Bake at 350 degrees for 8 to 10 minutes. Fully cool.



Spread crushed peppermint on a plate. Melt white chocolate in the microwave at 10 second increments, stirring as necessary. Dip cooled cookies halfway into melted chocolate. Place topside-down on plate of crushed peppermint or sprinkle peppermint on chocolate. Let cool until chocolate hardens. Store in airtight container.



easy gingerbread fudge

RECIPE FROM: Sue Bartle, IT

INGREDIENTS

3 cups premium white chocolate chips

14 ounces sweetened condensed milk

1/4 cup molasses

1 tbsp. butter

1 tsp. vanilla extract

1 1/2 tsp. ground ginger

1 tsp. ground cinnamon

3/4 tsp. nutmeg

1/2 tsp. allspice

1/2 tsp. ground cloves

1 tsp. McCormick gingerbread spice

1 cup white chocolate melting wafers

optional

This recipe yields 32 squares of fudge

DIRECTIONS

Line an 8×8 pan with aluminum foil and lightly grease or butter the foil. Set aside.

Combine white chocolate chips, condensed milk, molasses, and butter in a medium-sized saucepan over medium heat. Stir frequently until butter and chocolate chips are completely melted and ingredients are completely combined. Add vanilla extract and all spices, stir well. Pour mixture into prepared 8×8 pan (make sure the pan is on a heatproof surface or oven mitt as the bottom of the pan will become quite hot). Allow fudge to cool completely before cutting/decorating (this will take several hours at room temperature, or you can speed up the process and refrigerate 1-2 hours).

Once the fudge has set, cut and prepare white chocolate melting wafers according to package instructions. Pour melted chocolate into a small ziploc bag, snip off a small piece of the corner, and decorate as desired. Let chocolate harden (only a few minutes) before enjoying. Uneaten fudge can be stored at room temperature in an airtight container.

easy walnut Biscotti





INGREDIENTS

1/4 cup of butter or margarine (soften, not melted)

2/3 cup sugar

2 eggs

1 tsp. vanilla extract

2 cups all-purpose flour

2 tsp. baking powder

1 tsp. ground cinnamon

1 cup chopped walnuts

DIRECTIONS

Heat oven to 350. Beat together butter, sugar, eggs, and vanilla. Stir in flour, baking powder, and cinnamon; mix well. Stir in walnuts.

Divide dough in half and shape into two loaves, 1 1/2 inch in diameter. Flatten slightly and place on greased baking sheet or line with parchment paper.

Bake 18-20 minutes, until firm. With a sharp knife, cut loaves diagonally into 3/4 inch thick slices. Place cut side down on baking sheet. Bake 10 minutes longer or until lightly brown. Recipe yields 2 1/2 dozen.





fresh orange cookies



RECIPE FROM: Megan Morris, Tax Department

INGREDIENTS

1 1/2 cups sugar 1 tsp. baking soda

1 cup butter or margarine 1 tsp. baking powder

1 cup sour cream 1/2 tsp. salt

2 eggs 2/3 cup orange juice

4 cups flour 3 tbsp. grated orange peel

Frosting

1/4 cup butter or margarine, melted 1 tbsp. grated orange peel

2 cups powdered sugar 2-3 tbsp. orange juice

DIRECTIONS

Heat oven to 375. In large bowl, beat sugar and margarine until light and fluffy. Add sour cream and egs; beat well. Add flour, baking soda, baking powder, salt, orange juice, and 3 tablespoons orange peel; mix well. Drop by rounded teaspoonful onto ungreased cookie sheets. Bake at 375 for 8 to 11 minutes or until edges are light golden brown. Immediately remove from cookie sheet.



In small bowl, combine frosting ingredients; beat until smooth. Frost warm cookies. Makes 6 dozen cookies.



german almond crescent cookies



RECIPE FROM: Izzy Folk, Administration

INGREDIENTS

3/4 cup confectioners' sugar

1 cup butter, softened, room temperature

1 tsp. vanilla extract

1/4 tsp. almond extract, optional

1 tsp. cinnamon, optional

1/8 tsp. salt

1 cup blanched almonds, ground (or 1 cup

almond meal)

2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour

Powdered sugar, or granulated vanilla

sugar, for dusting, garnish

This recipe yields 16 cookies

DIRECTIONS

Gather the ingredients. Preheat the oven to 350 Farenheit. In a medium bowl, with the help of a hand whisk or standing mixer, cream the confectioners' sugar and butter until the mixture is fluffy. Add the vanilla and the almond extract and cinnamon if using. Mix well. Add the salt. Combine thoroughly.

With the help of a spatula, mix in the almond meal and flour. Using your hands, knead the mixture, which should be stiff and hard to work with.

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german almond Crescent cookies

RECIPE FROM: Izzy Folk, Administration

DIRECTIONS (cont.)



On a lightly floured board or other work surface and with a well-floured rolling pin, roll out the dough to about 1/2-inch thick. Cut a circle with a biscuit cutter or round glass. Move the glass or cutter over about 1 inch or more and cut another circle, which will result in 2 crescent shapes and an oval shape in the middle. Reuse the oval scraps, knead them, and roll out the dough again to cut more crescents or bake the ovals as they are if you'd prefer. Repeat the process until you've used all of the dough.

Line a cookie sheet with parchment paper. Place the crescents on the prepared baking sheet and bake for about 15 minutes. The edges of the cookies should just be golden; keep an eye on the cookies as they brown fast and what you want is a pale and just-baked consistency through.

Remove the cookies from the oven and, while still warm, dust them with confectioners' sugar or vanilla sugar and place them on a rack to cool completely.





ginger crinkles



RECIPE FROM: Amanda Miner, Tax Department

INGREDIENTS

2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour

2 tsp. baking soda

1 tsp. ground ginger

1 tsp. ground cinnamon

1/2 tsp. ground cloves

1/4 tsp. salt

1 cup packed brown sugar

3/4 cup shortening or cooking oil

1/4 cup molasses

1 egg, slightly beaten

DIRECTIONS

Sift together first 6 ingredients. Combine the remaining ingredients in a separate bowl and beat until mixed well. Add the dry ingredients to the beaten mixture, beating well. Form 1-inch balls. Roll in granulated sugar, if desired. Place 2 inches apart on an ungreased cookie sheet. Bake at 375 for about 10 minutes. Makes between 3 and 4 dozen.

Family notes: We mix by hand and the texture of the cookie is softer and less crispy. We also bake at 350 for 11-13 minutes. The sooner they come out of the oven the softer they are. If you like your cookies crispier then you would want to bake them more in the 13 minute range.







grinch cookies

RECIPE FROM: Izzy Folk, Administration

INGREDIENTS

2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour

2 1/2 cups powdered sugar

1 tbsp. baking powder

1/2 tsp. salt

1/2 cup unsalted butter cubed and

softened

2 large eggs

2 tbsp. vanilla extract

Green gel food coloring

1/2 cup cornstarch

Red heart-shaped sprinkles, cinnamon

candies, or red M&Ms

DIRECTIONS

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Line two baking sheets with parchment paper. In a large mixing bowl, whisk together the flour, two cups of powdered sugar, baking powder, and salt.

Cut the butter into tablespoons and drop the pieces into the flour mixture. Add the eggs and vanilla. Beat with an electric mixer on medium speed until combined. Add 2 drops of food coloring if desired, and beat until well incorporated, making sure there are no white streaks in the dough.

In a small bowl, whisk together the cornstarch and the remaining 1/2 cup of powdered sugar.

Scoop the dough into 1 1/2 tablespoon-sized balls. Roll each between the palms of your hands to form a ball, then roll in the cornstarch mixture until well coated. Place each ball about 3 inches apart, on prepared baking sheets and slightly press down on the tops.

Bake for 12 minutes or until the cookies start to crinkle and are lightly browned on the bottoms. Remove from the oven and immediately press a heart-shaped sprinkle or candy on each cookie. Transfer to a wire rack and cool completely. Cookies can be stored in an airtight container at room temperature for up to one week.





italian Rainbow Cookies

RECIPE FROM: Amanda Ornowski, Tax Department

INGREDIENTS

4 large eggs, separated

1 cup sugar

1 (8-oz) can almond paste

1 1/4 cups unsalted butter, softened

1 tsp. almond extract

2 cups all-purpose flour

1/2 tsp. salt

25 drops red food coloring

25 drops green food coloring

Apricot jam

7 oz Ghirardelli bittersweet chocolate,

chopped

DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 350°F. Butter a 13- by 9-inch baking pan and line bottom with wax paper, leaving a 2-inch overhang on 2 ends, then butter paper.

Beat whites in mixer fitted with whisk attachment at medium-high speed until they just hold stiff peaks. Add 1/4 cup sugar a little at a time, beating at high speed until whites hold stiff, slightly glossy peaks. Transfer to another bowl.

Switch to paddle attachment, then beat together almond paste and remaining 3/4 cup sugar until well blended, about 3 minutes. Add butter and beat until pale and fluffy, about 3 minutes. Add yolks and almond extract and beat until combined well, about 2 minutes. Reduce speed to low, then add flour and salt and mix until just combined. Fold half of egg white mixture into almond mixture to lighten, then fold in remaining whites gently but thoroughly.

Divide batter among 3 bowls. Stir red food coloring into one and green food coloring into another, leaving the third batch plain. Set white batter aside. Chill green batter, covered. Pour red batter into prepared pan and spread evenly with offset spatula (layer will be about 1/4 inch thick).

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italian rainbow cookies

RECIPE FROM: Amanda Ornowski, Tax Department

DIRECTIONS (cont.)





Bake red layer 8 to 10 minutes, until just set. (It is important to undercook.)

Using paper overhang, transfer layer to a rack to cool, about 15 minutes. Clean pan, then line with wax paper and butter paper in same manner as above. Bake white layer in prepared pan until just set. As white layer bakes, bring green batter to room temperature. Transfer white layer to a rack. Prepare pan as above, then bake green layer in same manner as before. Transfer to a rack to cool.

When all layers are cool, invert green onto a wax-paper-lined large baking sheet. Discard paper from layer and spread thin layer of apricot jam. Invert white on top of green layer, discarding paper. Spread another layer of apricot jam. Invert red layer on top of white layer and discard wax paper.

Cover with plastic wrap and weight with a large baking pan. Chill at least 8 hours. Remove weight and plastic wrap. Bring layers to room temperature. Melt chocolate in a double boiler or a metal bowl set over a saucepan of barely simmering water, stirring until smooth. Remove from heat. Keep chocolate over water.



Trim edges of assembled layers with a long serrated knife. Quickly spread half of chocolate in a thin layer on top of cake. Chill, uncovered, until chocolate is firm, about 15 minutes. Cover with another sheet of wax paper and place another baking sheet on top, then invert cake onto sheet and remove paper. Quickly spread with remaining chocolate. Chill until firm, about 30 minutes.

Cut lengthwise into 4 strips. Cut strips crosswise into 3/4-inch-wide cookies.



Lemon crackle cookies

RECIPE FROM: Megan Mahaney, Administration

INGREDIENTS

1 box lemon cake mix

2 eggs

1/3 cup oil

Zest of 1 lemon

Juice of 1 lemon

1/3 cup powdered sugar

DIRECTIONS

Mix eggs, oil, lemon zest, lemon juice and cake mix in a large bowl. Refrigerate dough for at least 30 minutes (creates fluffier cookies). Roll tablespoon size balls of dough in powdered sugar. Coat well and place on cookie sheet lined with parchment paper. Bake for 9 minutes at 375 degrees.





Nestle's Butterscotch and Peanut Butter Haystacks

RECIPE FROM: Sue Bartle, IT



INGREDIENTS

1 2/3 cups (11 oz package) Nestle Toll House Butterscotch Flavored Morsels 3/4 cup creamy peanut butter 1 can (8.5 oz) or 2 cans (5 oz each) chow mein noodles

3 1/2 cups miniature marshmallows

DIRECTIONS

Line trays with wax paper.

Microwave morsels in large, uncovered, microwave-safe bowl on MEDIUM-HIGH (70%) power for 1 minute; stir. The morsels may retain some of their original shape. If necessary, microwave at additional 10- to 15-second intervals, stirring just until morsels are melted. Stir in peanut butter until well blended. Add chow mein noodles and marshmallows; toss until all ingredients are coated. Drop by rounded tablespoon onto prepared trays. Refrigerate until ready to serve.







mem Holiday Cookies

RECIPE FROM: Cheryl Jankowski, Tax Department

INGREDIENTS

1 cup butter

2 tsp. vanilla

1 cup packed brown sugar

1/2 cup granulated sugar

1 1/2 cup M&M's

2 1/2 cups flour

1 tsp. baking soda

2 eggs

1 tsp. salt

DIRECTIONS

Preheat ovent to 375 degrees. Mix together flour, baking soda, and salt. Add butter, vanilla, and sugars; blend well. Add eggs and blend. Stir in 1/2 of M&M's. Drop dough by teaspoonfuls on greased cookie sheets. Place remaining M&M's on top of cookies. Bake 10 minutes.









melted white chocolate sugar cookies

RECIPE FROM: Tim Bubar, Audit Department

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INGREDIENTS

- 1 cup butter or margarine, softened
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 egg
- 3 tbsp. cream or milk
- 1 tsp. vanilla

- 3 cups unsifted flour
- 1 1/2 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 bag white chocolate chips
- Candy canes, crushed

DIRECTIONS

In mixing bowl, cream butter and sugar. Beat in egg, cream and vanilla. Stir in flour, baking powder and salt until well mixed. If desired, chill dough for easier handling. Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Roll out dough, one-third at a time, on floured surface to 1/8 inch thickness. Cut into desired shapes. Place, 1 inch apart, on ungreased baking sheets. If desired, sprinkle with sugar. Bake 5-8 minutes until golden brown. Dip in melted white chocolate chips, sprinkle with crushed candy canes.







mexican wedding cakes

RECIPE FROM: Kim Hanaka, Administration

INGREDIENTS

1 cup powdered sugar

2 cups butter or margarine, softened

2 tsp. vanilla

4 1/2 cups all-purpose flour

1 cup finely chopped nuts

1/2 tsp. salt

Additional powdered sugar

DIRECTIONS

Heat oven to 400 degrees. In large bowl, mix powdered sugar, butter, and vanilla. Stir in flour, nuts, and salt until dough holds together.

Shape dough into 1 inch balls. Place about 1 inch apart on an ungreased cookie sheet.



Bake 10-12 minutes or until set but not brown. Roll in additional powdered sugar while warm. Cool completely on wire rack, about 30 minutes. Roll in pressed sugar again.



monster cookies



RECIPE FROM: Paul Herlan, Brisbane Consulting

INGREDIENTS

1 pouch dry chocolate chip cookie mix 1 cup butter, soft

(17.5 oz.) 3 eggs

1 pouch dry peanut butter cookie mix 2 cups candy coated chocolate candies

(17.5 oz.)

DIRECTIONS

Heat oven to 375 degrees, line cookie sheet with parchment paper or leave ungreased. In a large bowl stir all ingredients together except the chocolate candies. Mix until a soft dough forms, then add in candy coated chocolate candies and mix evenly. Scoop batter into the desired size, recommended size is 1 tablespoon. Bake for 12 minutes until golden brown. Cool for 2 minutes then move to rack. Cool completely before storing at room temperature.









Peanut Butter Blossoms

RECIPE FROM: Shauna Mann, Tax Department



INGREDIENTS

1 3/4 cup flower

1 tsp. baking soda

1/2 tsp. salt

1/2 cup sugar

1/2 cup brown sugar

1/2 cup shortening

1/2 cup peanut butter

1 egg

2 tbsp. milk

1 tsp. vanilla

Hersey Kisses

DIRECTIONS

Combined ingredients in a large bowl (except for the Hersey Kisses). Mix on a low speed until dough forms. Shape dough into rolled balls, then roll each ball in a bowl of sugar and place on an ungreased baking sheet.



Bake at 375 degrees for about 10-12 minutes. Once baked, top each cookie immediately with a Hersey Kiss, pressing down firmly to make an imprint.



Peanut Butter snowballs *



RECIPE FROM: Stephanie Wilkinson, COO

INGREDIENTS

2 cups powdered sugar

1 1/3 cups creamy peanut butter

1/4 cup butter, melted

2/3 cup graham crakers crumbs

1 tbsp. maple syrup

1 tsp. kosher salt

2 cups white chocolate, melted

2 tsp. coconut oil

Sprinkles, for garnish

DIRECTIONS

Line a medium baking sheet with parchment paper. In a large bowl, combine powdered sugar, peanut butter, butter, graham cracker crumbs, maple syrup, and salt. Using a whisk or hand mixer, mix ingredients until smooth and fully incorporated.

Using a small cookie scoop, form mixture into balls and place on prepared baking sheet.

In a medium bowl, combine melted white chocolate and coconut oil and stir until smooth. Dip peanut butter balls in white chocolate and place on cooling rack (excess chocolate will drop off).

Top with sprinkles, then refrigerate until set, about 10 minutes.











Peppermint White Chocolate Cookies

RECIPE FROM: Administrative Department

INGREDIENTS

1 1/2 cup all-purpose flour, sifted

1 tsp. baking soda

1/4 tsp. salt

1/2 cup brown sugar, packed

1/2 cup white sugar

1 cup chocolate chips

1/2 cup peppermint candy cane, crushed

1/2 cup butter, room temperature

1 egg

1 tsp. vanilla extract

DIRECTIONS

Mix all ingredients (butter sugar, eggs, and vanilla first), chill 30-60 minutes. Roll into 1 inch bars and place on a cookie sheet. Bake at 350 degrees for 8-10 minutes.









PIZZCLLCS

RECIPE FROM: Maria Gambacorta, Marketing

INGREDIENTS

3 eggs

1 3/4 cup flour

1 tbsp. vanilla (or anise), add more for a

stronger flavor

1/2 cup butter, melted

2 tsp. baking powder

3/4 cup white sugar

Powder sugar

DIRECTIONS

Beat eggs, adding sugar gradually, then add flour, butter and vanilla (or anise).

Must have a Pizzelle Hot Iron. Brush iron with cooking oil or cooking spray, drop by the teaspoon fill on each side of the iron. You may need to experiment with the amount of batter and baking time depending on the iron. Bake for approximately 20 to 45 seconds, or until steam is no longer coming out of the iron. Carefully remove cookies from the iron.

Cool completely before storing in an airtight container. Once cooled, sprinkle with powder sugar. Store in an air tight container.

Variation - Chocolate Pizzelle: add 1/4 cup cocoa powder









Pizzelles

RECIPE FROM: Dave Schlein, Tax Department

INGREDIENTS

3 eggs

1/2 cup butter

1 3/4 cup flour

2 tsp. baking powder

3/4 cup sugar

1 tbsp. vanilla extract

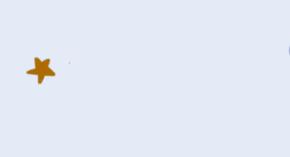
1/2 tsp. anise extract (optional)

DIRECTIONS

Beat eggs and sugar. Add cooled melted butter, vanilla, and anise. Sift flour and baking powder, fold in egg mixture.

Use a hot treated pizzelle machine.







Potato CHIP COOKICS



RECIPE FROM: Kim Hanaka, Administration

INGREDIENTS

2 cups butter, softened

1 cup white sugar

1 tsp. vanilla extract

3 1/2 cups all-purpose flour

1 1/2 cups crushed salted potato chips

Yields 3 dozen cookies

DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease baking sheets.

Mash the butter, sugar, and vanilla extract together in a bowl until creamy and wll combined; mix in the flour a little at a time. Gently fold in the potato chips. Drop dough onto the prepared baking sheets by teaspoonful.



Bake in the preheated oven until the edges are golden brown, about 15 minutes. Remove cookies from sheets immediately and cool on wire racks.



PRESS COOKIES



RECIPE FROM: Emilie Wuerch, Tax Department

INGREDIENTS

1 cup soft butter

3/4 cup sugar

1 egg yolk (keep egg white)

1/2 tsp. almond extract (or vanilla)

2 1/2 cups flour

1 tsp salt

1/8 tsp. baking soda

Food coloring (optional)

DIRECTIONS

Combine butter and sugar. Beat until creamy. Add egg yolk and almond extract. Beat well. Sift and blend in flour, salt, and baking soda.

Add in food coloring to dough and then put into cookie press. Press dough onto un-greased cookie sheet. Brush with egg white (slightly beaten). Bake at 350 degrees for 8-10 minutes.







PUMPKIN CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES



RECIPE FROM: Amanda Miner, Tax Department

INGREDIENTS

1 cup pumpkin (pack it in there)

1/2 cup sugar

1/2 cup brown sugar

1/2 cup canola oil

1 egg

2 cups all-purpose flour

2 tsp. baking powder

2 tsp. cinnamon

1/2 tsp. salt

1 tsp. baking soda

1 tsp. milk

1 tbsp. vanilla

1/8 tsp. ground cloves

2 cups chocolate chips (I like to use mini chocolate chips and 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 cups)



DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 350. Line baking sheets with parchment paper.

In a small bowl combine pumpkin, sugar, brown sugar, oil and egg. In a large bowl combine flour, baking powder, cinnamon, cloves, and salt. Dissolve baking soda in milk and then stir into wet ingredients. Add wet ingredients to dry ingredients and stir until combined. Add vanilla and chocolate chips and stir until well distributed.

Drop 1-2 tbsp of batter onto baking sheet with 1" between them. Bake for 10-13 minutes (until completely set).



★ PUMPKIN COOKIES WITH BROWN SUBAR BLAZE

RECIPE FROM: Megan Mahaney, Adiministration

INGREDIENTS

1 cup butter, softened

1/2 cup granulated sugar

1/2 cup brown sugar

1 egg

1 tsp. vanilla

1 cup pumpkin puree

2 cups all-purpose flour

1 tsp. baking soda

1 tbsp. ground cinnamon

1 tsp. pumpkin pie spice

1/2 tsp. salt

Brown Sugar Glaze:

3 tbsp. butter

1/2 cup packed brown sugar

4 tbsp. milk

1 cup powdered sugar

DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease two large cookie sheets with non-stick spray. In a large bowl, cream butter and both sugars together until fluffy and combined. Slowly add the vanilla and egg. Beat until combined. Beat in pumpkin, flour, baking soda, cinnamon, pumpkin pie spice and salt. Beat until mixture is combined.

Drop by tablespoons onto the prepared cookie sheets. Bake for 10 to 12 minutes. Remove from oven and let cool completely before frosting.

Make glaze by commbining butter, brown sugar, and milk in a small saucepan. Bring to a boil and then boil for 2 minutes, stirring frequently (be sure to not let it boil over). Remove from heat, and let mixture cool off. While the mixture is still slightly warm, add the powdered sugar and wisk vigorously until no lumps remain. Drizzle over pumpkin cookies.

PUMPKIN OATMEAL CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES

RECIPE FROM: Maria Gambacorta, Marketing



INGREDIENTS

- 1 cup salted butter
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 2 tsp. pumpkin pie spice
- 1 cup pumpkin puree

- 1 egg yolk
- 1 1/2 cups flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 2 1/2 cups quick oats
- 1 1/2 cups semisweet chocolate chips

This recipe yields 36 cookies

DIRECTIONS

Combine butter, sugars, and pumpkin pie spice in a medium mixing bowl and beat with an electric mixer until creamy. Add pumpkin and egg yolk and beat until smooth. Mix in flour and baking powder and beat on low speed until combined; stir in oats and chocolate chips.



Drop dough 2 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheet (cookies are easiest to remove if sheets are lined with parchment paper.)

Bake at 350 degrees for 16-20 minutes or until edges are golden brown.

Cool on cookie sheet 10 minutes; remove to a wire rack to cool completely.





RASPBERRY LEMON thumbprint cookies



INGREDIENTS

1 roll (16.5 oz) refrigerated Pillsbury Sugar Cookie Dough 3 oz cream cheese, softened 1/2 cup all-purpose flour 2 tsp. lemon zest1/3 cup seedless raspberry jam1 cup powdered sugar4-5 teaspoons lemon juice

This recipe yields 36 cookies

DIRECTIONS

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Line large cookie sheets with cooking parchment paper.

In large bowl, break up cookie dough. Add cream cheese, flour and lemon zest; stir with spoon or hands until well blended. Shape dough into 38 (1 1/4-inch) balls. Place 2 inches apart on cookie sheets. Press thumb into center of each cookie to make indentation, but do not press all the way to the cookie sheet.

Bake 12 to 14 minutes or until edges are golden brown. Immediately remake indentation in each cookie with end of wooden spoon.



Spoon rounded 1/4 teaspoon jam into each indentation. Cool 1 minute; remove from cookie sheets to cooling racks. Cool completely, about 20 minutes.

Meanwhile, in small bowl, stir powdered sugar and lemon juice, adding lemon juice until desired drizzle consistency.

Drizzle over cooled cookies. Store in airtight container.

2022 RECIPE

Salted Caramel Stuffed Chocolate Cookies



RECIPE FROM: Christine Proulx Grzyb, Marketing

INGREDIENTS

6 tbsp. unsalted butter

4 oz bittersweet chocolate, chopped

2 cups semisweet chocolate chips

3 large eggs

1/2 cup granulated sugar

2 tsp. pure vanilla extract

1/2 cup plus 2 tbsp. all-purpose flour

2 tbsp. unsweetened cocoa powder

1/4 tsp. baking soda

1/4 tsp. kosher salt

Canola oil or nonstick cooking spray, for

greasing

24 to 28 milk chocolate caramels (Dove)

Flaky sea salt, for topping

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DIRECTIONS

Preheat the oven to 325 degrees. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper.

In a small saucepan, combine the butter, bittersweet chocolate, and chocolate chips. Cook over low heat, stirring often, until fully melted and combined - the chocolate will be thick. Remove the pan from the heat and let the chocolate cool slightly.

In a small bowl using a handheld mixer, beat the eggs and sugar together on high until light and fluffy, 2 to 3 minutes. Add the vanilla and melted chocolate mixture and beat for 1 to 2 minutes more, until combined, scraping down the sides of the bowl as needed. Add the flour, cocoa powder, baking soda, and kosher salt and beat until fully combined and smooth, about 3 minutes. The batter should be thick but pourable. Cover the bowl and chill in the fridge for at least 1 hour or up to overnight.







Salted Caramel Stuffed Chocolate Cookies

RECIPE FROM: Christine Proulx Grzyb, Marketing

DIRECTIONS (cont.)

Scoop out scant 2 tablespoons of dough and place them about 2 inches apart on the prepared baking sheet. Grease your hands with a little canola oil or cooking spray, then flatten the dough into small disks, about 2 inches in diameter, and place a caramel in the center. Scoop out a rounded teaspoon of dough and flatten it into a disk. Pace the disk over the caramel, pinching the layers of dough together.

Bake for 10 to 12 minutes, until just set on the edges. Remove from the oven and sprinkle each cookie with a little flaky salt. Let cool for at least 5 minutes on the baking sheet before serving.





trader joe's gingerbread

RECIPE FROM: Sue Bartle, IT



INGREDIENTS

Trader Joe's gingerbread cake and cookie mix

This recipe yields two and a half dozen cookies

DIRECTIONS

Follow the directions on the Trader Joe's packaging, but before cooking, cut your dough into your desired cookie shape. To make Sue's Yoda gingerbread, black M&Ms can be used for the eyes.







vanilla bean snickerpoodles



RECIPE FROM: Miche Needham, Tax Department

INGREDIENTS

3 cups all-purpose flour

2 tsp. baking powder

1/4 tsp. salt

1 1/2 tsp. vanilla bean powder

1 cup vegetable shortening

1 1/3 cups granulated sugar

2 large eggs

1 tsp. vanilla extract

3 tsp. granulated sugar

2 tsp. ground cinnamon

This recipe yields 3 to 4 dozen cookies

DIRECTIONS

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Lightly grease baking sheets.

Combine the flour, baking powder, salt, and vanilla bean powder. In a large bowl, cream the vegetable shortening and sugar. Beat in the eggs. Beat in the vanilla extract. Gradually blend in the dry ingredients. In a small bowl, combine the sugar and cinnamon.

Pinch off 1-inch pieces of dough and roll into balls. Roll each ball in the cinnamon sugar and place 1 inch apart on the prepared baking sheets. Bake for 10 to 12 minutes, until lightly colored. Transfer to wire racks to cool.









Walnut Honey Delights

RECIPE FROM: Izzy Folk, Administration

INGREDIENTS

1 cup butter, softened

2 1/4 cups sugar, divided

2 large eggs, room temperature

1/2 cup honey

2 tbsp. lemon juice

4 cups all-purpose flour

2 1/2 tsp. baking soda

1 tsp. ground cinnamon

1/2 tsp. salt

1/2 tsp. ground ginger

1 cup finely chopped walnuts, toasted

DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a large bowl, cream butter and 1 1/2 cups sugar until light and fluffy, 5-7 minutes. Beat in eggs, honey and lemon juice. In another bowl, whisk flour, baking soda, cinnamon, salt and ginger; gradually beat into creamed mixture. Stir in walnuts. Optional, chill dough in refrigerator.

Shape dough into 1 inch. balls; roll in remaining sugar. Place 2inches apart on ungreased baking sheets. Bake until golden brown, 7-9 minutes. Cool on pans 1 minute. Remove to wire racks to cool. Store in an airtight container.



White chocolate Dipped oatmeal cranberry cookies

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RECIPE FROM: Izzy Newman, Tax Department

INGREDIENTS

1 cup butter or margarine, softened

1 cup firmly packed light brown sugar

1/2 cup granulated sugar

1 large egg

1 tbsp. vanilla extract

2 cups all-purpose flour

1 tsp. baking soda

1/2 tsp. baking powder

1/2 tsp. salt

2 cups sweetened dried cranberries

1 1/2 cups pecan pieces, toasted

1 1/4 cups uncooked quick-cooking oats

3 (4 oz) white chocolate baking bars,

coarsely chopped

3 tbsp. shortening



DIRECTIONS

Beat butter at medium speed with an electric mixer until creamy; gradually add sugars, beating well. Add egg and vanilla, beating until blended. Combine flour and next three ingredients; gradually add to butter mixture, beating until blended. Stir in cranberries, pecans, and oats. Drop dough by heaping tablespoonfuls two inches apart onto lightly

greased baking sheets.

Bake at 375 degrees for 9 to 11 minutes or until lightly browned. Cool on baking sheets for two minutes then transfer to wire racks.

Microwave white chocolate and shortening in a medium sized bowl on high for 1 minute or until chocolate melts, stirring once. Dip half of each cookie into melted chocolate, letting excess drip back into bowl. Place dipped cookies on wax paper, let stand until firm.



White chocolate gingerbread cookies



RECIPE FROM: Megan Mahaney, Administration

INGREDIENTS

14.25 oz. box Betty Crocker gingerbread cake mix

1/4 cup UNBLEACHED all-purpose flour (bleached flour toughens baked goods)

3-4 tbsp. canola oil

2 large eggs

11.25 oz. bag white chocolate chips, not vanilla chips

DIRECTIONS

Combine cake mix, flour and eggs. Stir in oil just until batter is moistened. Stir in white chocolate chips. Spray cookie sheets with cooking spray. Roll cookies into balls or scoop cookie dough with a scoop and place on prepared baking sheets. Bake at 350 degrees for 13-15 minutes or until done. Rotate cookies on racks every six to eight minutes while baking.











