



Stackable Christmas Tree Cookies

Recipe (and tutorial photos) found on AnnsEntitledLife.com

Prep Time: 35 minutes

Cook Time: 10 Minutes

Total Time: 1 Hour

Ingredients:

- 1½ cups Unsalted Butter, softened
- 1½ cups Sugar
- 1½ tsp Almond Extract
- 1½ tsp Vanilla Extract
- 2 Large Eggs
- Green Food Coloring
- ½ tsp Salt
- 4½ cups All-purpose Flour
- 12 Yellow M&Ms
- 3oz Candy Cane Sprinkles
- 3oz Christmas Sprinkles
- 8oz Green Icing

Directions:

- Preheat oven to 325°.
- Line two baking sheets with parchment paper.
- Using a stand mixer or hand mixer, beat butter and sugar together for 2-3 minutes
- Add almond extract, vanilla extract, eggs, and a few drops of green food coloring; mix well
- Mix in salt.

- Add in flour one cup at a time; mix well.
- Knead the dough in your palms until it starts sticking together in a ball.
- On a flat surface, lay down a piece of parchment paper; lightly flour your parchment paper and rolling pin and roll your dough out to a thick 1/4" to prevent the dough from cracking.
- Using star cookie cutters cut out: 2 large stars, 2 medium sized, and 1 small per cookie.
- Use your remaining dough to roll quarter sized pieces to little cones to form the top of the tree.
- Move your dough to your baking sheet and bake for 10 minutes.
- Remove from oven to a cookie rack, allow to cool.
- To assemble cookie trees:
- Place a small amount of frosting in the center of a large star then stack another large star on top, making sure the points of the stars go in different directions
- Next place a small amount of frosting onto the center of the second large star and place medium sized one on top making certain the points of the star go in a different direction.
- Then repeat that step with another medium star, one small star, and a small cone on top.
- Dab your tree with lots of tiny dots of frosting and stick your candy cane sprinkles onto the frosting.
- Then spread a very thin layer of frosting all over the tree and top with your colorful sprinkles
- Add a dab of frosting to the bottom of a yellow M&M's and place on top of your tree.
- Makes 12 Stackable Christmas Tree Cookies