

# **Holiday Knig**

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### **Cut-Out Sugar Cookies**

#### APPROX. YIELD

32 cookies

#### INGREDIENTS

- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup cold butter chunked
- 1 large egg
- 11/2 tsp vanilla extract
- 1/2 tsp almond extract

#### INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Heat oven to 350 degrees. Line cookie sheets with parchment paper; set aside.
- 2. Combine flour, baking powder and salt in small bowl; set aside. Place sugar and butter into bowl of heavyduty stand mixer fitted with paddle attachment. Beat at medium speed until well combined.
- 3. Add egg, vanilla and almond extract; beat until well mixed. Gradually add flour mixture, beating at low speed until just combined.
- 4. While removing dough from bowl, knead to incorporate crumbs and form smooth dough. Roll out dough on lightly floured surface to 1/8-inch thickness.
- 5. Cut into shapes with 2 1/2-inch cookie cutter. Place onto prepared cookie sheets. Bake 8-10 minutes or until just beginning to brown around the edges. Cool on cookie sheet for 2 minutes and then transfer to a cooling rack. Cool completely.

### **Oreo Ball Cookies**

#### APPROX. YIELD 25-35 cookies

INGREDIENTS 8 oz package of cream cheese - softened

16 oz package of Oreoscrushed

24 oz package of melting white chocolate

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#### INSTRUCTIONS

- Using a blender or handheld mixer, mix Oreos and cream cheese together.
- 2. Roll into walnut-sized balls.
- 3. Chill for an hour.
- 4. Melt approx. 3/4 package of white melting chocolate.
- 5. Stick a toothpick in an Oreo ball and dip it in the white chocolate.
- 6. Allow to harden on wax paper (about 15 minutes).
- 7. While waiting, melt about 1/4 package of regular melting chocolate.
- - When Oreo balls are no longer sticky to the touch, decorate with drizzles of melted chocolate and white chocolate.

### White Chocolate Cranberry Oatmeal Cookies

#### APPROX. YIELD

75 cookies

#### INGREDIENTS

2 2/3 cups old-fashion rolled oats

11/2 cups all-purpose flour

1 tsp baking soda

1/2 tsp salt

1 cup dried cranberries

6 oz white chocolate (broken into pieces)

1/2 cup finely chopped walnuts

2 sticks unsalted butter

11/3 cups firmly packed light brown sugar

1 tsp ground cinnamon

2 large eggs

1 tsp vanilla extract

#### INSTRUCTIONS

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line 2 cookie sheets with 1. parchment paper.
- 2. Whisk oats, flour, baking soda, and salt together in a medium bowl; stir in dried cranberries, white chocolate, and nuts.
- 3. In a medium saucepan, melt butter over medium heat. Continue to simmer over medium-low heat until the milk solids turn golden brown, about 4 minutes; take care not to burn.
- 4. Pour browned butter into a large bowl and whisk in brown sugar until combined. Whisk in cinnamon, then whisk in eggs and vanilla, beating well after each.
- 5. Add dry mixture to wet ingredients and stir just until combined. Mixture will be thick. Drop generously rounded tablespoons 2 inches apart onto prepared cookie sheets.
- 6. Bake until light golden brown and just dry to the touch, but still a little soft inside, about 10 minutes. Slide parchment onto racks to cool cookies completely.

## **Creamy Hot Cocoa**

#### APPROX. YIELD

4 servings

#### INGREDIENTS

1/3 cup unsweetened cocoa powder

- 3/4 cup white sugar
- 1 pinch salt
- 1/3 cup boiling water
- 3 1/2 cups milk
- 3/4 tsp vanilla extract
- 1/2 cup half-and-half cream

#### INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Combine the cocoa, sugar and pinch of salt in a saucepan. Blend in the boiling water.
- 2. Bring mixture to a boil while continuously stirring.
- 3. Reduce heat and simmer while continuously stirring, approximately 2 minutes.
- 4. Stir in milk until mixture is heated
- 5. Remove mixture from heat and add vanilla.
- 6. Divide cocoa mixture among 4 mugs.
- 7. Divide half-and-half evenly into 4 mugs.
- 8. Garnish with fun toppings such as marshmallows, peppermint, specialty syrups, chocolate shavings, etc.

### **Nutcracker's Old Fashioned**

#### INGREDIENTS

- 2 oz bourbon
- 1/4 oz pure maple syrup
- 3 dashes of walnut bitters

#### 1 cup of ice

1 orange peel (garnish)

#### INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Add all ingredients to mixing glass.
- 2. Stir briskly to combine and chill ingredients.
- 3. Strain into serving glass over fresh ice.
- 4. Garnish with orange peel.



### **Butterscotch Drop Manhattan**

#### INGREDIENTS

- 1 oz bourbon
- 1 oz butterscotch schnapps
- 1 oz sweet vermouth
- 1 cup of ice
- 1 cinnamon stick (garnish)

#### INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Add spirits to a shaker filled with ice.
- 2. Shake and mix well.
- 3. Strain into martini glass.
- 4. Garnish with cinnamon stick.



### **The Good Knight**

#### INGREDIENTS

- 2 oz bourbon
- 1 oz sweet vermouth
- 1 oz coffee liqueur
- 1 cup of ice
- 1 cherry (garnish)

#### INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Put scoop of ice in metal shaker tin.
- 2. Add bourbon, sweet vermouth and coffee liqueur.
- 3. Shake vigorously.
- 4. Strain contents into a chilled martini glass.
- 5. Garnish with a cherry.

