

Pecan Shortbread Cookies

Source: adapted from Ina Garten

Bob and Robin Young, Boise, ID *The Captains Shack* 16 Dec 2020 **PDF:** Pecan-Shortbread-Cookies.pdf **Cook:** 20 min Convection 8-10 min) **Prep:** 20 minutes

Yield: abt 36 cookies

Note: To give pecans extra flavor, roast them on a baking

sheet at 350° F for 8 minutes before dicing. If the dough is crumbly, add a teaspoon of warm water.

Ingredients:

3/4 lbs unsalted Butter, at room temperature

1 c Sugar

1 t Pure Vanilla Extract

2 t Pure Almond Extract

3½ c All-Purpose Flour

1/4 t fine Celtic Sea Salt

1½ c small-diced Pecans

Directions:

- 1. Preheat the oven to 350° F.
- 2. In the bowl of an electric mixer fitted with a paddle attachment, mix together the butter and sugar until they are just combined.
- 3. Add the vanilla and almond extracts.
- 4. In a medium bowl, sift together the flour and salt, then add them to the butter-and-sugar mixture.
- 5. Add the pecans and mix on low speed until the dough starts to come together.
- 6. Dump onto a surface dusted with flour and shape into a flat disk. Wrap in plastic and chill for 30 minutes.
- 7. Roll the dough $\frac{1}{2}$ " thick and cut into $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch squares with a plain or fluted cutter (or cut into any shape you like).
- 8. Place the cookies on an ungreased baking sheet.
- 9. Bake for 20-25 minutes (Convection 8-10 minutes), until the edges begin to brown.
- 10. Allow to cool to room temperature and serve.