Egg Nog Cookies

Based on the recipe from Mostly Homemade Mom

Ingredients for cookies

3/4 cup butter, room temperature

1 1/14 cups sugar

3/4 cup egg nog

2 egg yolks

1 Tablespoon rum

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

2 1/4 cups flour

1 teaspoon baking powder

1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg

1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon

In the bowl of a stand mixer, fitted with the paddle attachment, or a large bowl with a hand held mixer, beat butter until creamy, scraping sides of bowl as needed.

Add sugar and continue beating until light and fluffy.

Mix in egg nog, egg yolks, rum, and vanilla extract until combined.

In a medium bowl, whisk together flour, baking powder, nutmeg and cinnamon.

Gradually add flour mixture to egg nog mixture, stirring until just combined.

Using a medium cookie scoop, drop dough onto parchment or Silpat lined baking sheets.

Bake cookies at 300 degrees F for 20-23 minutes until edges are set and gently golden. Turn baking sheet 180 degrees halfway through. If using more than one sheet at a time, rotate positions in the oven for more even baking.

Let cool on pan for 2-3 minutes before transferring to wire racks to cool completely.

While cookies cool, prepare the glaze.

Ingredients for glaze

1 cup powdered sugar2 1/2 Tablespoons egg nog1/4 teaspoon rum extract1 whole nutmeg, for grating

In a small bowl, whisk powdered sugar. Combine egg nog and rum in a small bowl, then stir into powdered sugar until smooth, adding more egg nog as needed to reach desired consistency.

Using the back of a spoon, spread glaze over cooled cookies. *Note: place waxed paper or a flexible cutting mat under the wire racks to catch any glaze that may drip over the edges.*

Using a fine grater, grate nutmeg over glazed cookies, allowing a dusting over each cookie.

Allow glaze to harden before storing in an airtight container, placing waxed paper between the layers.

Makes 3 dozen cookies.

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