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Cookie Time!

It's cookie time. At our house, it gets to be a near-riot. Six delighted children help to mix and stir and roll and cut out cookies. Colored sugar carpets the kitchen. There is frosting on door knobs and pigtails and noses.

The neighborhood kid I hear the commotion, or smell it, and come to add their invaluable assistance in the sprinkling and spoon-licking departments.

Some cut-out cookies after all the trouble they take, turn out tasting like frosted cardboard, but the one we use is as good as it looks. We begged it from a friend long ago, and here it is:

ELAINE'S CHRISTMAS COOKIE-OUTS: Cream 1/4 cup butter till light. Gradually add 1 cup sugar; cream thoroughly.

Add 1 egg, beaten till fluffy. Using your electric mixer, beat well.

Sift together 1 1/2 cups flour, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 1/2 teaspoon salt. Stir into butter mixture. Add 1 1/2 teaspoon grated orange rind and/or 1/2 teaspoon undiluted frozen orange juice concentrate. Mix and work together thoroughly.

Chill in refrigerator for half an hour or a little longer. Roll thin, cut into stars and trees and angels and bells and Santas.

Bake at 325 degrees for 8 to 10 minutes. Frost with confectioner's sugar mixed with milk till just thin enough to spread with a table knife and not drip all over. Decorate with a free hand.

Cookies disappear with the speed of light in this house. I have found that if I expect the fancy kinds to last till Christmas comes, I have to intersperse them with several batches of the kinds that don't take so much time and trouble to do.

Bar cookies are the best answer to the problem, and we've found some very good ones. You may want to try some of these:

SPICY COFFEE SQUARES: Combine 1 cup white raisins with 2 1/2 cup hot strong coffee. Let stand 10 minutes. Sift together 1 1/2 cups flour, 1/2 teaspoon baking powder, and 1/2 teaspoon baking soda.

Spread batter in greased shallow pan 15 1/2 by 10 1/2 inches. Bake at 350 degrees about 28 minutes. While still warm, spread with icing made of confectioner's sugar and cold coffee. When cool, cut into squares.

COCONUT PECAN SQUARES
Cream 1/2 cup butter with 1/2 cup firmly packed dark brown sugar. Add 1 cup flour and mix well. Press into a greased 8 by 8 by 2-inch pan, spreading batter evenly into the corners. Bake in moderate oven, 350 degrees, for 20 minutes.

Meanwhile beat 2 eggs till frothy. Gradually add 1 cup firmly packed brown sugar and heat till thick. Add 1 cup coarsely chopped pecans and 1/2 cup shredded coconut which has been tossed with 2 tablespoons flour. Add 1 teaspoon vanilla and a pinch of salt. Mix well.

Spread over baked crust. Bake at 350 degrees about 20 minutes, till well browned. When cool, sprinkle with confectioner's sugar and cut into squares.

And then there are the indispensable **TOFFEE BARS:** Mix together 1 cup butter, 1 cup firmly packed brown sugar, 2 cups flour, 1 egg yolk, and 1 teaspoon vanilla. Spread evenly over 11 by 13-inch pan, preferably with sides. Bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes. Immediately upon removal from the oven, top with 7 or 8 milk chocolate bars; when melted, spread evenly. Sprinkle 1/2 cup chopped nuts over and cut into squares right away.



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