

## RECIPES FOR COOKIES IN A JAR MIXES:

### OATMEAL COOKIE MIX:

- 1 C brown sugar
- 1/3 C sugar
- 1 1/2 C all purpose flour
- 1 tsp. baking soda
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 2 C quick rolled oats

Layer the ingredients in the order given into a wide-mouth 1 quart jar. Pack each layer in place before adding the next ingredient. Attach a gift tag with the mixing and baking directions.

### SNICKERDOODLE COOKIE MIX:

- 2 3/4 C all purpose flour
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 2 tsp cream of tartar
- 1 1/2 C sugar

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### CANDY COOKIE MIX:

- 1 C brown sugar
- 1/2 C sugar
- 2 1/2 C all purpose flour
- 1 tsp. baking soda
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1 C chopped pecans or walnuts
- 1 C mini candy coated choc. (mini M&Ms)

Sift together the flour, baking soda, and salt. Layer the flour mixture, sugars, and candies ingredients in a wide-mouth 1 quart jar. Pack each layer in place before adding the next ingredient. Attach a gift tag with the mixing and baking directions.

## Tips for Making "In-A-Jar" gifts

### Sterilizing Jars

1. Use new jars and lids to eliminate using ones with cracks, chips, or dented or rusty lids.
2. Wash all parts with hot, soapy water. Rinse.
3. To sterilize jars, place on a rack in large pot and cover with water. Let water come to a boil and boil for 15minutes. Remove and dry completely before filling. You can also sterilize jars and lids in the dishwasher.

### Filling Jars

For a better look, layer the mix ingredients. The recipient can mix the ingredients before using them.

### Basic Equipment for Filling Jars

- Wooden spoons for mixing
- Large spoon for filling jar
- Paper towels for wiping powdery ingredients off jars
- A canning funnel or a piece of card stock to make a simple funnel for filling the jars

### General Tips

1. Layer ingredients in the jar in the order given in the recipe.
2. Wipe down the sides of the jar with a clean paper towel after adding powdery ingredients, such as powdered sugar or flour before adding the next ingredient for a better appearance.
3. Pack down all ingredients firmly. If you don't, you won't have enough space to fit in all the ingredients. (You will be surprised at how flour packs down!) Generally, a quart jar holds 6 cups of packed down ingredients.
4. If your ingredients do not come to the top of the jar, fill with crumpled plastic wrap or wax paper to prevent the ingredients from shifting and mixing.
5. Decorate your jar. Laurie Rudd will provide recipe cards for attaching to the jars. Let Laurie know what you are making and what cards will be needed.

## OATMEAL COOKIES

Makes 3 TO 4 dozen cookies

1 jar Oatmeal Cookie Mix      2 eggs, slightly beaten  
3/4 C butter or margarine softened      1 tsp vanilla  
1 T water

Preheat the oven to 375 degrees.

In a large bowl, cream the butter, eggs, vanilla, and water. Add the Oatmeal Cookie Mix and stir until the mixture is well blended. Drop he cookies by rounded tablespoonfuls onto ungreased cookie sheet. Bake for 8 to 9 minutes.

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2 eggs, slightly beaten 1 C butter or margarine softened  
1 T cinnamon 1/2C sugar

Preheat the oven to 375 degrees. In a large bowl, cream the butter until light, add the eggs and beat, until the mixture is smooth. Add the Snickerdoodle Cookie Mix and continue to beat until the dough begins to form. Combine the sugar and cinnamon in a small bowl. Shape the dough into 1-inch balls and roll in the cinnamon-sugar blend. Arrange on ungreased cookie sheet and bake for 10 to 15 minutes or until light tan. Transfer to wire racks to cool.

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