# "My Mother's Gookies"

"I've been making these thumbprint cookies my entire life! They are so easy, don't require eggs, and taste delicious." - Leigh Brown, Founder & Winemaker of Lolati Wines



## Ingredients

Makes 2 dozen small cookies

1/4 cup sugar
1 cup butter or margarine
2 cups flour
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1/4 teaspoon salt
jam (raspberry is my favorite)
1 cup finely chopped pecans (optional)

Frosting (optional)

1 cup confectioners' sugar

1/2 teaspoon almond flavoring

water

### Procedure

#### Step 1

Preheat oven to 300° F. Cream together the sugar and butter. Beat in flour, vanilla, and salt. Stir in pecans if using.

#### Step 2

Drop by teaspoonfuls onto an ungreased baking sheet. Make a thumbprint on each cookie. Place a small amount of jam (or a pecan) on each cookie. Bake for 20-30 minutes. Remove and cool.

For variety, some of the dough may be rolled into small balls, baked as directed above, and then rolled in confectioner's sugar.

#### **Frosting (optional)**

Combine sugar with almond flavoring and enough water to make the right consistency to drop off the top of a spoon. Drizzle frosting over warm baked cookies.

