# 4th of July Cookies

## **Ingredients:**

2 1/2 cups ALL-PURPOSE FLOUR 1 tsp CORNSTARCH

1/2 tsp BAKING SODA

1/2 tsp SALT

3/4 cup UNSALTED BUTTER

1 cup PACKED LIGHT BROWN SUGAR

1/2 cup GRANULATED SUGAR

1 LARGE EGG

1 EGG YOLK

2 tsp PURE VANILLA EXTRACT

1 cup RED, WHITE, AND BLUE MMS CANDIES

1/4 cup RED, WHITE, AND BLUE SPRINKLES

## Instructions:

- Step 1: Sift flour, cornstarch, baking soda, and salt into a bowl.
- Step 2: Cream butter, white sugar, and brown sugar in the bowl of your stand mixer until fluffy.
- Step 3: Beat in the egg, then the egg yolk and vanilla.
- Step 4: Gradually add the flour mixture to the butter mixture.
- Step 5: Fold in the M&Ms and sprinkles.
- Step 6: Mix.
- Step 7: Cover the dough and refrigerate for at least three hours. For tastier cookies with a richer flavor, leave the dough in the fridge overnight. Chilling the dough also helps prevent the cookies from spreading too much when baking.
- Step 8: Preheat your oven to 350F. Line a baking tray with parchment paper. Scoop a tablespoon of dough out.
- Step 9: Shape it into a ball.
- Step 10: Place it on the baking tray. Repeat with the remaining dough.
- Step 11: Bake for 12 to 13 minutes or until golden brown. Remove the tray from the oven.
- Step 12: Let the cookies cool for a few minutes on the tray. Transfer to a wire rack to cool completely.
- Step 13: Serve and enjoy!

#### Tips:

Use room-temperature ingredients for your Fourth of July cookies.

Make gluten-free 4th of July cookies by using your favorite gluten-free flour.

For crispier cookies, only use white sugar. For chewier, more flavorful cookies, only use brown sugar. Add cocoa powder to make chocolate 4th of July cookies.

### **How to Store Fourth of July Cookies:**

Keep your cookies in an airtight container at room temperature for up to 5 days. You can also freeze 4th of July cookies for up to 3 months. Frozen cookie dough will last for up to one month.