



Chocolate Chip, Cranberry & Pistachio Cookies

Preheat oven to 180°C/350°F/Gas 4. Line 2 trays with baking paper.

What you need:

1 quantity of Chocolate Chip base mix (see below)
2 eggs @ room temperature
1-2TBS soft brown sugar
1-2TBS caster sugar
200g butter, cubed (note 1)
Finely chopped zest of 1 orange
¼-½ level tsp of ground cinnamon
½ cup finely chopped cranberries
½ cup finely chopped pistachios

To Make:

In a container with lid, measure one quantity of the chocolate chip base mix together with the cinnamon, pistachios and cranberries. Secure the lid, give it a good shake then set aside. In another large bowl cream the butter, zest and both sugars together until combined. Next add the eggs one at a time, mixing well after each one. Add the dry ingredients. Using a large metal spoon, mix well together. Roll a heaped teaspoon of dough (30g) into a ball, place on tray. Flatten well with fingertips or a fork. Repeat until the dough is used up. Place in the fridge for at least 1 hour (longer is better). Remove from the fridge then bake in the oven for 8-10 minutes, swap trays around then bake for a further 8 minutes or until golden (ovens will vary). Remove from the oven, cool for 5 minutes before transferring the cookies to a cooling tray. When cold store in an airtight container. Eat within 2-3 days. Makes 24 approx.

Note:

1. For dairy free use nondairy spread of choice.

Tip: These cookies freeze very well and can even be eaten straight from the freezer.

Chocolate Chip Base Mix:

120g white rice flour 100g cornflour (maize) 30g ground almonds 30g instant fine polenta 1 level tsp guar gum 1 level tsp baking powder 170g gf chocolate chip