Double Chocofate Peppermint Cookies

Preheat oven to 350° | Bake time: 10-12 min

	1 cup unsalted butter, softened
	1-1/2 cups sugar 2 large eggs
	1/2 tsp natural peppermint extract
	2-1/2 cups all-purpose flour
	2/3 cup cocoa powder
	1/2 tsp salt 1 tsp baking soda
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)	4-5 peppermint candy canes,
2	finely crushed
5	1/2 bag dark chocolate chips

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Preheat oven to 350°. In large bowl, cream butter and sugar together for about 2 min. Add eggs and peppermint extract, beat until fluffy, scraping sides of bowl as you go. In separate bowl, whisk flour, salt, cocoa powder, baking soda and baking powder. Add the dry mixture gradually to batter, mixing well on low speed until combined. Stir in dark chocolate chips with a spoon, chill dough in fridge about 20 min. Form into 24 balls (tbsp size) and place on 2 parchment-lined baking sheets. Flatten dough balls gently with bottom of glass. Bake 10-12 min. Once cooled, drizzle with melted chocolate + top with crushed candy cane. Let chocolate set before serving.

Jean's Orange Blossoms

Makes 7 dozen tea-size cookies | Bake time: 10 min

1/2 cup butter 13/4 cup sugar 4-5 large eggs 3 cups flour 4 tsp baking powder 1 cup milk 1 tsp vanilla **ORANGE DIP:** 3 oranges 2 lemons 3 cups sugar

cream butter & sugar break eggs into mixture one at a time add sifted flour + baking powder, alternating with milk and vanilla grease and flour tea-size muffin tins spoon in 1 tablespoon per muffin tin bake 10 minutes at 350° wash + grate rinds, squeeze orange juice (but not lemons). add sugar until dissolved. dip hot cakes into mixture, drain on cookie sheet 5 minutes. - a well-watezed women zecipe