

Pumpkin Softies — Sandwich cookies for fall

Autumn is *the* cookie season. Homecoming festivities, Halloween, open houses, bake sales and after-school snacks all call for cookies. And you're ready for all the occasions with this oatmeal cookie recipe for Pumpkin Softies.

Canned pumpkin, a plentiful product during fall, provides flavor and moistness to these cookies, which are seasoned, appropriately, with pumpkin pie spice. Quick or old-fashioned oats provide pleasing nut-like flavor and texture.

You can choose to eat Pumpkin Softies plain or to pair them as sandwich cookies. To make sandwich cookies, just spread the filling (a luscious blend of cream cheese, butter, vanilla and confectioners sugar) on the bottom of half the cookies and top with the remaining half. Store them in a tightly covered container in the refrigerator.

Pumpkin Softies will satisfy both children and adults all during autumn. They are spicy, pumpkin-y and mighty good!

PUMPKIN SOFTIES

Cookies:

1 cup all-purpose flour

1 cup oatmeal, quick or old-fashioned, uncooked
 1 1/2 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice
 1 teaspoon baking powder
 1 teaspoon salt
 1/4 teaspoon soda
 1 cup firmly packed brown sugar
 3/4 cup granulated sugar
 1/2 cup butter or margarine, softened
 1 egg
 1 cup canned pumpkin

Filling:

1 3-oz. pkg. cream cheese

3 tablespoons butter or margarine, softened
 1/4 teaspoon vanilla
 1/2 cup confectioners sugar

For cookies: Heat oven to 375 °F. Grease cookie sheet. In small bowl, combine flour, oats, pumpkin pie spice, baking powder, salt and soda; set aside. In large bowl, beat together sugars, butter and egg. Alternately blend in pumpkin and flour mixture. Drop by heaping teaspoonfuls onto prepared cookie sheet. Bake about 15 minutes or until edges are

golden brown. Cool; remove from cookie sheet.

For filling: in small bowl, beat together cream cheese, butter and vanilla. Gradually add sugar, beating at high speed on electric mixer until smooth. Spread filling evenly over bottoms of one-half of the cooled cookies. Top with remaining cookies. Store cookies in tightly covered container in refrigerator.

Makes about 1 1/2 dozen sandwich cookies.

Variation: Omit filling; makes about 3 dozen cookies.



Making these Pumpkin Softies into sandwich cookies is easy. Spread filling on bottoms of half the cooled cookies and top with remaining cookies.

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Landscape trees need summer pruning

Putting landscape plants on a regular pruning schedule prevents them from becoming overgrown and formless. Pruning also keeps plants healthy by removing excess wood, which has the added advantage of improving air circulation to the plant.

According to Ray McNeilan, Oregon State University Extension home gardening agent, the late summer is a good time to prune some types of landscape trees and rose bushes.

"Birch, walnut, dogwood and maple trees can be pruned lightly in August or September," says McNeilan. "First cut out dead, diseased, injured, or weak growth, and then remove shoots or twigs that are growing in the wrong direction or crowding and crossing other limbs."

Before pruning the tree, have a good idea of the form you want the tree to take and then prune accordingly, advises McNeilan.

After rose bushes are done blooming in the late summer, old canes and crossing growth in the plant can be pruned out. A good guideline to use in pruning roses is to cut stems back to where they are about the thickness of a pencil. This will stimulate new rose bush growth in the fall. Also cut out any diseased growth.

When to spray fall webworms

In late summer and early fall, many ornamental trees, such as alder and birch, and large shrubs with soft foliage, such as lilacs, become campsites for web-tent building fall webworms. Walnut and fruit trees may also be attacked by this pest.

"Fall webworms shouldn't be confused with tent caterpillars, although the damage webworms inflict on plants is similar to that caused by tent caterpillars," says Ray McNeilan, Oregon State University Extension home gardening agent.

Fall webworms feed on leaves near the tentlike webbing they construct. Webworms can severely damage or kill small trees, and smaller branches on large trees.

Mature webworms are about one inch long and are pale yellow to brown in color with yellow stripes along each side, and a dusky stripe along the back.

For best webworm control, remove and burn their webbing as soon as it is noticed.

Diazinon, Orthene or Dipel insecticide sprays are recommended for webworm control on ornamentals. Be sure to follow all label directions on any chemical sprays used.

"Spray as soon as the tents appear," McNeilan advises. Large tents may be difficult to penetrate unless a sprayer that develops a strong spraying force is used. Repeat applications may be necessary.

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