Sugar Cookies with Royal Icing

DESSERTS

Ingredients

Cookies

- 1/4 cup Truly Grass Fed Salted Butter
- 1/2 cup shortening
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 2, 1/2 cups flour
- 1 tsp baking powder

Icing

- 4 cups confectioners' sugar
- 3 tbsp meringue powder
- 10 tbsp room temperature water
- Food coloring (optional)

Instructions

- In a large bowl, add butter, shortening, sugar, eggs, and vanilla.
 Mix thoroughly by hand.
- 2. Add flour and baking powder. Combine until dough is formed.
- 3. Wrap dough in plastic wrap and refrigerate for a minimum of 2 hours or overnight.
- 4. Lightly dust work surface with flour and roll out chilled dough.
- 5. Use desired cookie cutter shape to cut out dough. Place each cookie 1" apart on a baking sheet lined with parchment paper.
- 6. Bake at 375° F for 8-10 minutes or until edges are slightly brown. Remove from oven and let cool before icing.
- 7. Make icing by adding all ingredients to a mixing bowl. Beat on high speed for 1-2 minutes. You should be able to lift the whisk up and have the icing drizzle down, smoothing out within 5-10 seconds.
- 8. Frost cookies with desired design.

