Italian Butter Cookies

A buttery simple Italian Cookie. These Italian Butter Cookies are perfect anytime. Serve them as a holiday cookie or with tea or coffee in the afternoon.

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Prep Time	Cook Time	Chilling Time	Total Time		
10 mins	10 mins	1 hr	1 hr 20 mins		

Course: cookies Cuisine: Italian Servings: 35 cookies

Calories: 92kcal Author: Rosemary Molloy

Ingredients

- 2 cups all purpose flour*
- 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 pinch salt
- 1 cup butter (softened)**
- 3/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1 large egg (room temperature)
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

*If the dough is too soft then add a tablespoon or two of flour to firm it up. It should be soft and firm but not loose.

**Be sure to use a good quality butter, apparently this year 2022, store brand butter quality is not what it used to be. Less fat could mean a dry not so tasty cookie.

Instructions

- 1. In a medium bowl sift the flour, baking powder and salt. Set aside.
- 2. In a large bowl on medium speed beat the butter and sugar until creamy approximately 3 minutes, then add the egg and vanilla and combine. Add the sifted flour mixture a little at a time until combined.
- 3. Place the dough on a lightly floured flat surface and gently form into a ball (do not over knead). Wrap the dough in plastic and refrigerate for one hour.
- 4. Pre-heat oven to 350F (180C). Line two cookie sheets with parchment paper.
- 5. Place the dough on a lightly floured flat surface and roll (you can use half the dough at a time) to a little thicker then 1/8 inch thick. Place on cookie sheets and bake for 10-12 minutes, or until edges or lightly golden. Let cool 5-8 minutes then move to cookie rack to cool completely, before serving. Dust with powdered sugar if desired. Enjoy!

Jean Robinson served these cookies at LFGC 50th Anniversary celebration March 2024

Notes

The dough can also be formed into a log, wrapped in plastic and refrigerated. Then just slice and bake.

Nutrition

Calories: 92kcal | Carbohydrates: 9.85g | Protein: 1g | Fat: 5.49g | Saturated Fat: 3.39g | Cholesterol: 19.97mg | Sodium: 50.07mg | Potassium: 28.75mg | Fiber: 0.19g | Sugar: 4.32g | Vitamin A: 170.83IU | Calcium: 10.96mg | Iron: 0.37mg

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