

CAPPUCCINO LOVE BITES

1 C shortening
1 C sugar
1 egg
1 tsp. vanilla
2 1/2 C all-purpose flour
1 tsp. baking powder
1/4 tsp. salt
1/2 T instant coffee crystals plus 2 T sugar
48 Hershey's Kisses

Beat shortening in a large bowl with an electric mixer on medium to high speed for 30 seconds.

Add 1 cup sugar and beat until mixture is combined, scraping side of bowl occasionally.

Beat in egg and vanilla until combined.

Add flour, baking powder, and salt. Mix thoroughly.

If necessary, cover and chill dough in the refrigerator about 1 hour or until easy to handle.

Preheat oven to 350°F.

Lightly grease cookie sheets; set aside.

Shape dough into 1-inch balls.

Combine coffee crystals and remaining 1/4 cup sugar.

Roll dough balls in sugar mixture.

Place balls 2 inches apart on prepared cookie sheets.

Bake in preheated oven about 10 minutes or until tops are cracked and sides are set; do not let edges brown.

Immediately press a chocolate kiss into the center of each cookie. Transfer cookies to wire racks and cool completely.

Makes 48 cookies.

For ***Snicker doodles***, omit coffee crystals and mix 2 tsp. cinnamon with sugar. Do not use Hershey's Kisses. 10g CHO per cookie without Hershey's Kisses