

# GINGERBREAD PEOPLE WITH COOKIE BUTTER FROSTING

# **INGREDIENTS:**

## FOR GINGERBREAD COOKIES:

<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cup unsalted butter, room temperature
<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup packed dark brown sugar
<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cup molasses
1 large egg, room temperature
1 teaspoon LorAnn Cookie Butter Bakery Emulsion
1 teaspoon LorAnn Pure Vanilla Extract
3 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cups all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> teaspoon salt
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> tablespoon ground ginger
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> teaspoon allspice
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> teaspoon cloves



#### FOR FROSTING:

1 cup unsalted butter, softened
 2 cups confectioner's sugar
 1 tablespoon heavy cream
 1 teaspoon LorAnn Cookie Butter Bakery Emulsion
 Assorted LorAnn Liquid Food Coloring

### **DIRECTIONS:**

#### FOR GINGERBREAD COOKIES:

1. In a large bowl, whisk flour, baking soda, salt, and spices. Set aside.

- 2. In bowl of stand mixer, beat butter until creamy, about 1 minute.
- 3. Add brown sugar and molasses, beat until creamy. Scrape sides of bowl as needed.
- 4. Add egg, cookie butter flavoring, and vanilla. Beat for 2 minutes.
- 5. Slowly add the dry ingredients and mix until just combined.
- 6. Divide dough in half, flatten out to about 1-inch, and wrap each half in plastic wrap. Refrigerate dough overnight.

- 7. Preheat oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit.
- 8. Prepare baking pans with parchment paper. Prepare your rolling surface by dusting it with flour. Make sure to dust the rolling pin and cookie cutters as well.
- 9. Roll out one half of the dough to  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch thick, dusting with more flour, if needed.
- 10. Cut shapes into the dough slab and transfer to cookie sheets.
- 11. Re-roll and repeat until you use all the dough.
- 12. Bake for 10 minutes. Cool on sheet for 5 minutes then transfer to rack to cool completely.
- 13. Once the cookies are cooled, prepare the frosting.

## FOR FROSTING:

- 1. Using a stand mixer, beat the butter until it is pale and creamy.
- 2. On slow speed, add the confectioner's sugar and beat for 5 minutes.
- 3. Add heavy cream and cookie butter flavoring.
- 4. Divide into separate bowls and mix in desired LorAnn Liquid Gel Food Colors.
- 5. Frost cookies using a small off-set spatula or piping bags. Add sprinkles or sanding sugars for extra flair!

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