

Best Cookies Ever!!!

How about taking a break from all these fun activities and make yourself a snack...

Ingredients

½ pound butter, softened (2 sticks)	2 ¼ cups flour
¾ cup + 1 tablespoon granulated sugar	1/2 cup rolled oats
¾ cup packed light brown sugar	1 teaspoon baking soda
2 large eggs	1 teaspoon salt
1 1/4 teaspoons vanilla extract	Pinch cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon freshly squeezed lemon	2 2/3 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips
juice	1 3/4 cups chopped walnuts

Technique

Cream butter, sugar and brown sugar in the bowl of a stand mixer on medium speed for about 2 minutes.

Add eggs, vanilla and lemon juice, blending with mixer on low speed for 30 seconds, then medium speed for about 2 minutes, or until light and fluffy, scraping down bowl.

With mixer on low speed, add flour, oats, baking soda, salt and cinnamon, blending for about 45 seconds. Don't overmix.

Remove bowl from mixer and stir in chocolate chips and walnuts.

Portion dough with a scoop (about 3 tablespoons) onto a baking sheet lined with parchment paper about 2 inches apart.

Preheat oven to 300°F. Bake for 20 to 23 minutes, or until edges are golden brown and center is still soft.

Remove from oven and cool on baking sheet for about 1 hour.

Cook's note: You can freeze the unbaked cookies, and there's no need to thaw. Preheat oven to 300°F and place frozen cookies on parchment paper-lined baking sheet about 2 inches apart. Bake until edges are golden brown, and center is still soft.

Makes 26 cookies

Enjoy...