
Treat Time

Animal Crackers

Prep Time: 15 minutes
Cooling Time: 5-7 minutes



Ingredients: 1/2 cup rolled oats
3/4 cup all-purpose flour
1/4 teaspoon baking soda
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup butter
1/4 cup honey
3 Tablespoons buttermilk

Instructions: Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. Grind oats until fine using a blender or food processor. In a medium bowl, stir together the blended oats, flour, baking soda and salt. Cut in the butter using a pastry blender or your fingers until the butter lumps are smaller than peas. Stir in the buttermilk and honey to form a stiff dough. On a lightly floured surface, roll the dough out to 1/8-inch in thickness. Makes approximately (16) five-inch cookies.

Treat Time: Let children cut into animal shapes with cookie cutters* (be sure to make two of each animal). Place cookies 1 inch apart onto ungreased cookie sheets. Bake for 5 to 7 minutes, until edges are lightly browned. Remove from cookie sheets to cool on wire racks.

Alternative: This is a really simple and fun recipe, but if you're short on time purchase store bought animal crackers and have children search for pairs of animals.

* Animal shaped cookie cutters can be found at many craft stores.