

# Gingerbread

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### You will need:

5 1/2 - 6 cups all-purpose flour

1 teaspoon baking soda

1 teaspoon salt

2 teaspoons ground cinnamon

2 teaspoons powdered ginger

1 teaspoon ground nutmeg

1 teaspoon ground cloves

1 cup solid vegetable shortening

1 cup granulated sugar

1 1/4 cups molasses

2 eggs (beaten)

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#### Step 1

Preheat oven to 375°F. Thoroughly mix flour, baking soda, salt and spices. Melt shortening in large saucepan. Cool slightly. Add sugar, molasses and eggs to saucepan; mix well. Add 4 cups dry ingredients and mix well.

### Step 2

Turn mixture onto lightly floured surface. Knead in remaining dry ingredients by hand. Add a little more flour, if necessary, to make firm dough.

Step 3

On floured surface, roll out 1/8 to 1/4 in. thick for cut-out cookies.

Bake on ungreased cookie sheet, small and medium-sized cookies for 6-10 minutes, large cookies for 10-15 minutes.