Pete's *Ships Ahoy* Chocolate Chip Cookies

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Ingredients

3 sticks (1.5 cups) butter or margarine - room temperature 1 ¼ cup brown sugar 3/4 cup castor (fine granulated) sugar 1 tsp vanilla extract 4 cups flour 1 tsp bicarbonate of soda (baking soda) ½ tsp baking powder 1 tsp salt 2 eggs 2-3 cups chocolate chips



- 1. Preheat oven to 375° F
- 2. Beat butter/margarine, the sugars, and vanilla together until fluffy.
- 3. Slowly add dry ingredients and beat on medium speed.
- 4. Add eggs, continue beating. Once eggs are thoroughly worked in, add chocolate chips.
- 5. Form cookie dough into 2 inch diameter logs; cut slices (about ½ inches each from log, form into balls and place on a greased baking tray.
- 6. Keep at least 2 inches distance between balls, since they will melt into cookie shape while baking.
- 7. Bake at 350° F for 10-12 minutes or until golden brown; let cool down for at least 30 minutes on the baking tray.

Tips

- You can use a baking sheet covered with parchment paper in lieu of greasing the pan.
- The cookie dough is firm. After shaping it into logs, you can refrigerate any you are not baking right away by tightly wrapping them in plastic wrap for up to 2 days, or freeze up to 2 months.
- Resist the urge to eat them while still warm. They really need to cool down in order to become solid enough to be handled. Enjoy!!





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