## **Christmas Tree Cookies**

1 cup shortening
3/4 cup sugar
1 egg
1 teaspoon almond extract
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 1/4 cups all purpose flour
Green food coloring
Red hot candies



Preheat your oven to 375 degrees.

Cream the shortening and sugar until fluffy. Mix in the egg and scrape down the sides of the bowl. Add in the almond extract, baking powder, and salt, and mix until incorporated. Stir in the flour until combined. Stir in the food coloring until it's as dark as you like.

Stuff portions of the dough into the cookie press and use according to the manufacturer's instructions. Press a red hot or two into the pressed dough. Bake for 10 minutes or until set. Let cool on a flat surface.

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