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THIS MONTH'S SPICE: ANISEED

ITALIAN ANISE COOKIES

INGREDIENTS

- 1 1/2 lbs. (about 4 2/3 cups) all-purpose flour
- 1 1/4 lbs. (about 2 1/3 cups) sugar
- 2 3 tsp. anise seeds
- Approximately 1 1/3 cups water
- Cinnamon for dusting

Makes approximately 3 dozen cookies.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- In a large bowl, using a spoon, combine flour, sugar and anise seed.
- Slowly add water and mix until a smooth dough is formed.
- Form the dough into approximately 36 one inch balls.
- Place balls on parchment and allow to dry for 30 minutes.
- Preheat oven to 350 F.
- Using three mini muffin tins, place balls in each tin, one ball per mold.
 Be sure that the dough touches the sides of the molds.
- Bake for 30 minutes or until cookies are golden brown.
- Remove from the oven.
- Sprinkle with cinnamon. Serve warm.

This month's recipe is from https://ciaochowbambina.com/

DID YOU KNOW?

Aniseed is also known as anise or sweet cumin. It is related to ajowan, caraway, coriander and cumin. The seeds of this plant are used as a spice and the leaves are used as an herb.

This plant orginates from the Middle East, and has been cultivated since ancient times. Aniseed should not be confused with star anise which is predominantly a Chinese spice.

Sources:

The Spice Bible by Jane Lawson and The Spice and Herb Bible 3rd Ed. by Ian Hemphill

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