

PAINTBRUSH (CHRISTMAS) COOKIES

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Make dough for Sugar Cookies (see below). Roll out. Cut a dozen cookies at a time, so unbaked cookies won't dry out before they are painted. Place cookies on an ungreased baking sheet and prepare Egg Yolk Paint (see below). Paint designs on cookies - use your imagination - be creative! Bake cookies as recipe directs. For clear colors, do not let cookies brown.

SUGAR COOKIES

3/4 cup shortening (part butter)	1 cup sugar	2 eggs
1 tsp vanilla flavoring powder	2 1/2 cups flour	1 tsp baking
1 tsp salt		

Mix well shortening, sugar, eggs and vanilla. Measure flour by dip-level-pour method or by sifting. Blend flour, baking powder and salt; stir into egg mixture. Chill at least 1 hour. Heat oven to 400 degrees. Roll 1/8 inch thick on floured board. Cut with 3" cookie cutters. Place on ungreased baking sheet. Bake 6 to 8 minutes. Makes about 4 dozen.

EGG YOLK PAINT

1 egg yolk	1/4 tsp water	food coloring
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Blend egg yolk and water well. Divide mixture among several small custard cups. Add a different food coloring to each cup to make bright colors. Paint designs on cookies with small paintbrushes. If paint thickens on standing, add a few drops of water.