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Classic Sugar Cookies are a classic, buttery and sweet treat loved by all ages. With a simple and versatile dough, they can be shaped into any desired form and decorated to suit any occasion. These cookies are perfect for holidays, birthdays, or simply as a tasty snack.

Ingredients:

- 1 cup unsalted butter, at room temperature
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1 large egg
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 3/4 cups all purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt

Instructions:

- 1. In a mixing bowl, cream the butter and sugar together until light and fluffy.
- 2. Beat in the egg and vanilla extract until well combined.
- 3. In a separate bowl, whisk together the flour, baking powder, and salt.
- 4. Gradually add the dry ingredients to the butter mixture, mixing until just combined. Do not overmix.
- 5. Divide the dough in half and shape each half into a disk. Wrap them in plastic wrap and refrigerate for at least 1 hour.
- 6. Preheat the oven to 375°F (190°C) and line baking sheets with parchment paper.
- 7. On a lightly floured surface, roll out one disk of dough to about 1/4-inch thickness.
- 8. Use cookie cutters to cut out desired shapes and transfer them to the prepared baking sheets.
- 9. Bake for 8-10 minutes, or until the edges start to turn golden brown.
- 10. Remove from the oven and let the cookies cool on the baking sheets for a few minutes before transferring them to a wire rack to cool completely.
- 11. Repeat steps 7-10 with the remaining dough.
- 12. Once completely cooled, decorate the cookies with icing or sprinkles, if desired.