## Megan's Sugar Cookie Recipe

## **Ingredients**

- 2½ cups (318 grams) all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon coarse pink Himalayan salt
- 2 sticks (226 grams) unsalted butter, at room temperature
- 1 cup (250 grams) granulated sugar, plus ¼ cup (50 grams) for rolling
- 1 large egg
- 1 additional egg yolk
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract

Now, get ready to bake the ultimate holiday sugar cookie! Follow these simple steps to create a soft, chewy treat that's sure to become a Christmas favorite.

## **Recipe Instructions**

- 1. Preheat your oven to 350°F (177°C) and prepare baking sheets with parchment paper.
- 2. In a medium bowl, whisk together the flour, baking powder, and salt.
- 3. In a large bowl, use an electric mixer on medium-high speed to beat the butter and sugar until light and fluffy, about 2 to 3 minutes. Scrape the sides of the bowl as needed.
- 4. Add the egg, egg yolk, and vanilla extract, beating until fully combined.
- 5. Gradually incorporate the dry ingredients, mixing until just combined.
- 6. Roll the dough into balls (about 3 tablespoons each) and coat them in the remaining ¼ cup of sugar.
- 7. Place dough balls on prepared baking sheets, spaced 2 inches apart, and gently flatten with the bottom of a measuring cup.

- 8. Bake for 10 to 12 minutes, or until the cookies are set and just beginning to brown.

  Allow to cool for 5 minutes on the baking sheet before transferring to a wire rack to cool completely.
- 9. Decorate as desired and store in an airtight container at room temperature for up to 4 days.

And there you have it — the perfect sugar cookie recipe that's sure to become a holiday favorite. Whether you're sharing them with loved ones, gifting them in a festive box, or enjoying them with a warm drink by the fireplace, these soft and chewy cookies bring a touch of sweetness to any celebration. Happy baking, and may your holidays be filled with warmth, joy, and delicious treats!