

# Basic Spritz Cookies

1/2 cup butter or margarine, softened

1/2 cup vegetable shortening

3/4 cup granulated sugar

1 large egg

2 teaspoons vanilla

2 cups all-purpose flour

1/4 teaspoon baking powder

1/4 teaspoon salt

Place butter and shortening in large mixing bowl. Cream together on medium high speed. Add sugar gradually. Beat until light and fluffy, about 5 minutes. Add egg and vanilla; mix well using medium speed. Combine flour, baking powder and salt in separate bowl. Add to butter/sugar mixture in three (3) addition. Dough will be stiff. Assemble and fill cookie press with dough; using desired christmas disc. Press cookies on ungreased, uncoated baking sheet. Bake at 375 degree F 10-12 minutes or until lightly brown around the edges. Do not overbake.