

## Oatmeal Cookies

This is my mom's recipe that everyone loves.

### Ingredients

1 cup Crisco or Shortening  
1 cup brown sugar  
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2 eggs  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
1½ cups flour  
1 teaspoon baking soda  
3 cups oatmeal  
½ cup walnuts (optional)

### Directions

1. Mix all the ingredients together. If using a mixer use the paddle.
2. If adding nuts, cut them into small pieces with a broad knife. Add them near the end of mixing and mix them in gently, not breaking them up much further.
3. Cook at 350 degrees for 7 to 10 minutes on the top rack only. In our oven it was about 7 minutes. The bottom rack burned the bottom more than the top rack.

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