

Patriotic Pretzel Sticks

A Sweet Treat



Just a little note: I used the brands listed below because I had the chips in the pantry, the Snyder pretzel rods had the fewest broken ones, and the Wilton patriotic sprinkles were on sale.

Ingredients:

1 bag pretzel rods (Snyders)
10oz. bag white chocolate chips (Trader Joes)
1 jar Patriotic Mix sprinkles (Wilton)
Wax paper

Directions:

Put a piece of wax paper on the kitchen counter or on a rectangle baking tray. Use some sort of microwave safe container to melt the chips. I used a 4-cup pyrex measuring cup. Pour the white chocolate chips into the container. To melt the chips cook in microwave for 1-1/2minutes, stir with butter knife then cook another 30 seconds and stir again. Take a pretzel stick and dip into melted chocolate to coat. I tilted the measuring cup to get the chocolate far enough up the pretzel. Holding the pretzel horizontal I twirled it until no more chocolate was dripping. Then, hold the pretzel over a plate and sprinkle with candy stars or whatever you choose. Set the pretzel on wax paper and continue with the next one. I made 12 pretzel stix with some leftover chocolate which I used for dipped strawberries.

Now all you have to do is wait until the chocolate hardens. I had trouble being patient so I put them on a tray in the refrigerator for 5-minutes. This helped them harden. I waited another 30-minutes to put them into cellophane wrappers. You could use saran wrap. I tied the ends of the wrappers with some patriotic ribbon for a finishing touch (watch out, Martha Stewart). I can't believe how easy these were to make. You must try these with the kids. Even very young children can help by sprinkling the candies on the pretzels. I know there are probably many other recipes out there for these treats, but this one worked very well for me. I hope this helps you make and enjoy your own homemade treats.

Bon Appetit,
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