

## **Comal Pecan Farm**

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## **Sweet Pretzels Recipe**

## Ingredients (checklist)

- □ 3-1/2 c. sugar
- □ 1/4 c. soft butter
- 4 eggs
- □ 1/2 tsp. salt
- □ 1/2 tsp. nutmeg, rounded
- □ 1/2 tsp. cinnamon, rounded
- □ 1/2 tsp. allspice, rounded
- □ 1/2 tsp. cloves
- 1 c. pecans, chopped very fine (chop in blender)
- □ 4-1/2 to 5 c. flour

## **Directions**

- 1. Preheat oven to 375°.
- 2. Cream together butter and sugar.
- 3. Add 4 eggs and mix well. Add salt, nutmeg, cinnamon, allspice, cloves and chopped pecans.
- 4. Work flour into this mixture. Toward the end you must use your hands. Dough will be extremely stiff.
- 5. Take about 1A of the dough; on a floured board roll out into a 1/4-inch thick rectangle.
- 6. Cut dough into strips approximately the length of a pencil.
- 7. Roll each strip lightly, and then form into a pretzel shape.
- 8. Place on lightly greased cookie sheet.
- 9. Brush with beaten egg and bake.
- 10. Let bottoms set and then place on top rack of oven until pretzels turn a golden brown, approximately 12 to 15 minutes.
- 11. Cool on rack and store in tight container for crisp pretzels.

Pretzels when completely cooled are very hard and should be broken into small pieces to eat.

Note: These deliciously spicy, sweet pretzels are our traditional Alsatian Christmas cookies. The recipe comes from my Grandmother. Although a little challenging to make, they are worth the effort!

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