

GINGERBREAD SCENTED PLAYDOUGH



Did you know that you can *make* play dough? It's quick and easy to do! This sweet and spicy smelling Gingerbread play dough is not only perfect for playtime, but also promotes fine motor development. Here's what you need:

Ingredients:

- 1 cup Flour
- ½ cup Salt
- 2 tsp. Cream of Tartar
- ½ tsp. Allspice
- ½ tsp. Cinnamon
- ½ tsp. Ginger
- ½ tsp. Nutmeg
- 1 cup of water
- 1 tsp. Vegetable oil

Directions:

- Mix flour, salt, and cream of tartar together.
- Mix water and oil together and add to the dry ingredients. Stir well. (The mixture will turn a nice gingerbread brown and it smells wonderful too. You can add extra spices in equal amounts to achieve color and smell desired.)
- Cook the mixture in a pot over medium heat for 2-3 minutes, stirring often.
- The dough will pull away from the sides of the pot and start to clump together.
- Put dough on wax paper or smooth surface and let cool until it can be touched.
- Knead the dough until soft, smooth, and pliable.
- Cool and store in air tight container (plastic baggie or container with lid.)
- Makes about 1 ½ cups of play dough.

(I used small Rubbermaid storage containers with rick rack glued around the top. You could also write or print out a sticker that says "Gingerbread Play dough" as a label.)