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## Black and White Cookies

Yield: 13 Cookies A baker's Dozen
Here's what you need:

- $1 / 2$ cup or 1 stick unsalted butter melted, cooled or $1 / 2$ cup oil
- 3/4 cups sugar
- $1 / 4$ cup powdered sugar
- 2 eggs (room temperature)
- $1 / 2$ cup milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- $1 / 4$ teaspoon lemon extract
- $21 / 2$ cups all-purpose flour
- $1 / 2$ teaspoon baking powder
- $1 / 4$ teaspoon salt


## Here's how you do it:

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees $F$ ( 190 degrees C). You will need two baking sheet pans; butter or line with parchment paper and then coat the paper with cooking spray.
2. In a medium bowl, mix together melted butter and sugars; add in eggs one at a time, stir in the milk, vanilla, and lemon extract. Combine all-purpose flour, baking powder, and salt; gradually blend into the creamed mixture. Use a pastry bag pipe a 2-inch round circle to expand to a 3-inch round circle or with an ice cream scooper and drop the dough 2 inches apart on prepared baking sheets.
3. Bake until edges begin to brown, about 15-20 minutes. Cool completely.
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## The Icing

## Here's what you need:

1 lbs. powdered sugar
3 tablespoons light corn syrup
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
$1 / 4$ cup, plus 2 tablespoons of water, divided and gradually added 1 teaspoon at a time 1/3 cup regular or Dutch process cocoa powder

## Here's how you do it:

Icing: Mix sugar, corn syrup, lemon juice, vanilla, and $1 / 2$ cup of water until smooth. Gradually add additional water, 1 teaspoon at a time, until icing is thick but easily spreadable. Divide icing evenly into two separate bowls. Keep one vanilla, adding cocoa powder to the other bowl to make chocolate icing; add more water one teaspoon at a time to match the same consistency as the white. Mix until smooth.

Decorating cookies: Using a small icing spatula, spread white icing onto one half of the flat side of the cookie, creating a straight edge down the middle. Set on parchment paper; allow icing to dry 10 minutes before icing the other side with chocolate icing.

