



## Introduction

Peppermint Bark Pretzel Bites are a delightful blend of sweet and salty treats that are perfect for the holiday season or any time you want a quick and satisfying snack. These treats combine the crunch of pretzels with the rich flavor of chocolate and the refreshing taste of peppermint. Easy to make and even easier to enjoy, this recipe is a fun way to bring festive cheer to any gathering.

## **Detailed Ingredients with measures**

Pretzels: 2 cups

White chocolate chips: 2 cups

Crushed peppermint candies: 1 cup

Dark chocolate chips (optional): 1 cup

## **Prep Time**

15 minutes

## **Cook Time, Total Time, Yield**

Cook Time: 10 minutes

Total Time: 25 minutes

Yield: About 24 pretzel bites



## Detailed Directions and Instructions

### Step 1: Prepare the Pretzels

Begin by preheating your oven to 350°F (175°C). Arrange your pretzel squares in a single layer on a baking sheet.

### Step 2: Add the Melting Chocolate

Place a chocolate melt on each pretzel square. Use any type of chocolate melts you prefer, such as white, dark, or milk chocolate.

**Step 3: Bake**

Put the baking sheet in the preheated oven and bake for 3-5 minutes, or until the chocolate is softened but not completely melted. Remove from the oven.

**Step 4: Decorate**

Immediately after taking them out of the oven, gently press a peppermint candy on top of each melted chocolate. Let them cool for a few minutes.

**Step 5: Cool Completely**

Transfer the baking sheet to the refrigerator for about 15-30 minutes, or until the chocolate has set completely.

**Step 6: Serve and Enjoy**

Once the peppermint bark pretzel bites are fully set, remove them from the fridge and serve. Enjoy your delicious treat!

## Notes

**Note 1: Type of Pretzels**

You can use traditional square pretzels, or substitute with round pretzels for a different look.

**Note 2: Chocolate Variations**

Feel free to mix and match different types of chocolate melts to create your desired flavor profile.

**Note 3: Peppermint Options**

For added texture, you can crush the peppermint candies before placing them on the melted chocolate.

**Note 4: Storage**

Store leftover treats in an airtight container at room temperature for up to a week.

**Cook techniques**

### **Melting Chocolate**

To achieve a smooth and creamy texture, melt the chocolate using a double boiler or microwave. Be sure to stir frequently to prevent burning.

### **Coating Pretzels**

When coating the pretzels, ensure even coverage by dipping them in melted chocolate and using a fork to lift them out, allowing excess chocolate to drip off.

### **Adding Toppings**

Sprinkle toppings like crushed candy canes or festive sprinkles on the chocolate-coated pretzels while they are still wet to ensure they adhere properly.

### **Chilling for Set**

After assembling the pretzel bites, place them in the refrigerator for a few minutes to allow the chocolate to harden before serving.

## **FAQ**

### **Can I use white chocolate instead of milk chocolate?**

Yes, you can substitute milk chocolate with white chocolate for a different flavor profile.

### **How long will peppermint bark pretzel bites last?**

When stored in an airtight container, they can last up to two weeks.

**Can I use different toppings?**

Absolutely! Feel free to customize with other toppings like nuts, mini chocolate chips, or holiday candies.

**Is it necessary to chill the pretzel bites?**

Chilling helps the chocolate set quickly, but you can let them set at room temperature if you're short on time.

**Can I make these in advance?**

Yes, peppermint bark pretzel bites can be made ahead of time, making them perfect for holiday planning or events.



## Conclusion

The Peppermint Bark Pretzel Bites are a delightful combination of sweet and salty, making them a perfect treat for holiday gatherings or as a festive snack. The crunchy pretzels paired with creamy chocolate and refreshing peppermint offer a unique flavor profile that is sure to please everyone. With their easy preparation and festive appearance, these bites are not only delicious but also a fun addition to any dessert table.

## More recipes suggestions and combination

### **Chocolate-Covered Pretzels**

These classic treats can be made by drizzling milk or dark chocolate over pretzels, and you can sprinkle them with sea salt or colorful sprinkles for added flavor and fun.

### **Caramel Pretzel Bites**

Combine pretzels with gooey caramel and chocolate for a decadent treat. Top with nuts or flaky sea salt for an extra crunch.

### **Peanut Butter Pretzel Balls**

Mix creamy peanut butter with crushed pretzels and dip them in chocolate. These bites are perfect for peanut butter lovers.

### **Mint Chocolate Bark**

If you love the peppermint flavor, try making a simple mint chocolate bark. Melt dark chocolate, mix in peppermint extract, and sprinkle with crushed candy canes.



### **Trail Mix with Pretzels**

Create a festive trail mix by combining pretzels, nuts, dried fruit, and chocolate pieces for a sweet and salty snack that's great for sharing.

