## **Pistachio Cookies**

Makes 24 cookies

Soft and chewy, nutty and citrusy, these little pistachio cookies are a delight! Offering a delicate balance of salty and sweet, this humble dessert pairs equally well with both morning coffee and evening tea. Perfect for sharing!

## Ingredients:

6 oz pistachios, (unsalted, raw or roasted, shells removed), reserve a handful for sprinkling on top of the cookies 1-3/4 cups all-purpose flour 1-3/4 cups powdered sugar, plus more for rolling cookies 1/4 teaspoon Kosher salt 1/2 teaspoon cardamom Zest of one lemon 2 eggs, room temperature 2 teaspoons almond extract

## **Directions:**

- 1. Preheat the oven to 350° F.
- 2. In a food processor, pulse the pistachios until a fine crumb is formed and no large pieces remain.
- 3. Combine the ground pistachios, all-purpose flour, powdered sugar, Kosher salt, cardamom, and lemon zest in a large bowl and mix until evenly combined.
- 4. In the bowl of a stand mixer with the paddle attachment mix the eggs and almond extract until combined and frothy, roughly 1-2 minutes.
- 5. Slowly add the dry ingredients to the wet ingredients until just combined. Do not over mix. The dough will be thick and slightly sticky.
- 6. Form the dough into 1-1/2" balls and roll in powdered sugar. Place dough balls on a baking sheet, and bake for 12-15 minutes until the cookies start to crack, but are still soft. Sprinkle the tops with crumbled pistachios or a pistachio half, if desired.
- 7. Cool on a cooling rack. Enjoy!