# Meringue Cookies 



2 large egg whites; at room temperature
$1 / 4$ teaspoon cream of tarter
$2 / 3$ cup sugar
$1 / 2$ teaspoon vanilla extract
optional additions: 2 Tablespoons cocoa powder, 2 Tablespoons crushed candy canes, $1 / 4$ cup coarsely chopped almonds

Instructions: Preheat oven to $225^{\circ}$ F. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. In a large bowl, use an electric mixer to mix egg whites and cream of tarter. Mix until it forms soft peaks. Add sugar one Tablespoon at a time, continuing to mix until hard peaks form. Using a rubber spatula, fold in the vanilla extract and any additions. Drop 2 Tablespoons of mixture onto prepared baking sheet, spacing 1 -inch apart. Bake for 1 hour and 30 minutes. Allow to completely cool before enjoying.

Yield: 24 servings, 1 cookie each

Nutrition Facts (per serving): 25 calories, o grams fat, o milligrams sodium, 6 grams carbohydrate, o grams fiber, o grams protein

