

# Holiday Ideas

## Cook Up New Holiday Traditions

(NAPSA)—Here's food for thought: You can simplify holiday rituals in a way that saves time, involves the kids and still honors family traditions. For instance, Rice Krispies Treats have been a family favorite for more than 75 years and many families have their own special recipes. Now you can mix up a new holiday treat and create memorable moments by inviting the kids into the kitchen to give the famous recipe your family's own seasonal touch.

Barbara Beery, founder of kids' cooking school Batter Up Kids and cookbook author, shares an easy recipe. The main ingredients are two time-honored traditions that make for truly magical memories: cooking and sharing time together.

"Simple time spent with your children is precious and the kitchen offers the perfect setting for creating family traditions and sharing conversations," said Beery. "Cooking also helps boost kids' confidence. As they spend quality time with you, they're contributing something the whole family can enjoy."

Create special memories in the kitchen with your family this holiday season with festive Rice Krispies Treats recipes that you can enjoy together or wrap up and share as gifts with friends and family. Here's one to try:

### Frosted Snowmen

*Prep Time: 20 minutes*

*Total Time: 40 minutes*

*Servings: 12*

- 3 tablespoons butter or margarine**
- 1 package (10 oz., about 40) regular marshmallows OR**
- 4 cups miniature marshmallows**
- 6 cups Rice Krispies OR 6 cups Cocoa Krispies cereal**



**These tasteful snowmen are a sweet treat your family can have so much fun creating, it could become your new holiday tradition.**

**Canned frosting or decorating gel**  
**Assorted candies**

**In large saucepan, melt butter over low heat. Add marshmallows and stir until completely melted. Remove from heat. Add Kellogg's Rice Krispies cereal. Stir until well coated. Using buttered spatula or wax paper, evenly press mixture into 15 x 10 x 1-inch pan coated with cooking spray. Cool. Using 4-inch cookie cutter coated with cooking spray, cut into snowman shapes. (If desired, use 2-, 1½- and 1-inch round cookie cutters coated with cooking spray to cut into circles.) Decorate snowmen with frosting and/or candies. (If using circles, for each snowman, connect three different-sized circles together with frosting. Decorate with remaining frosting and/or candies.) Best if served the same day.**

### More Holiday Recipes And Ideas

For the complete list of holiday recipes, as well as easy ideas from Barbara Beery for activities to get the fun times cooking in the kitchen, visit [www.ricekrispies.com](http://www.ricekrispies.com).