

## Quick and Easy Cookie Nests

These lovely signs of Spring are wonderful additions to an Easter table, classroom celebration, or holiday gathering! These treats are quick to make...a good thing since they are sure to please...let the little ones help!

### Ingredients

Use your favorite frosting recipe! We used one recipe of regular buttercream tinted pastel green as well as one recipe coconut pecan (for the brown nests)

green food coloring, *if needed*

1 bag coconut flakes

cookies, *ours are from the bakery and about 4-inches across*

jelly beans, or egg shaped candies

mixing bowls, soup spoon or other large spoon

In a bowl, tint frosting desired color green. Add coconut, a little at a time, until frosting mixture is quite stiff. Using soup spoon, or other large spoon, drop a lump of prepared frosting in the center of the cookie spreading it out and around. With spoon, hollow out the center of the "nest" allowing room to add jelly beans. While frosting is still sticky, add jelly beans as shown.

For the coconut pecan frosting, prepare favorite frosting recipe, adding more coconut to make frosting stiff. Proceed as above to decorate cookies.

### *Erik's Tip:*

Once the nest is spread on the cookie, allow the frosting to harden for a few minutes before hollowing out the center. The nest will hold it's shape better.



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