Molasses Sugar Cookies

from great-grandma Opal Zweifel

3/4 C shortening (6 oz butter) 1 C sugar 1 egg 1/4 C Molasses 2 C flour 1/2 tsp cloves 1/2 tsp ginger 1 tsp cinnamon 1/2 tsp salt 1 tsp baking soda

Crystal sugar for baking.

Beat egg and sugar. Add molasses and melted butter - mix. Add spices and baking soda - mix. Add flour - mix. Chill dough overnight.

Form into balls (about 0.5 oz per cookie) Flatten a little and dip the top in crystal sugar. Place on greased cookie sheet.

Bake about 10 min at 375 F