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BETTER HOMES AND GARDENS PRESENTS THE STATE COOKIE CONTEST

50 bloggers from across the country compete for grand prize!

(JULY 18, 2011) – Every state has an official flower, flag and even a tree... so why not a cookie? That's the question Better Homes and Gardens (BHG), with the help of 50 bloggers from every state in the USA, hopes to answer with its State Cookie Contest. Using BHG branded bakeware, available exclusively at Walmart, each blogger was challenged to create a cookie that they feel best represents their home state. The contest, which lives on the BHG Live Better Facebook page, began on June 30 and will end on July 27. Fans of the page can vote for their favorite cookie and the blogger with the most votes will get a full set of bakeware to give away on their blog.

- 1. Alabama Football Cookies
- 2. Alaska Big Dippers
- 3. Arizona Saguaro Cactus Cookie
- 4. Arkansas Dark Chocolate Pecan Cookies
- 5. California Golden State Avocado Walnut Date Cookies
- 6. Colorado Columbine Cookies
- 7. Connecticut Spice Cookies
- 8. Delaware State Sugar Cookie
- 9. Florida Orange Sunshine Cookie
- 10. Georgia Peach Pie Cookie
- 11. Hawaii Delight Cookies
- 12. Idaho Potato Gems
- 13. Illinois Abe Lincoln Hat Cookie
- 14. Indiana Pumpkin Basketball Cookies
- 15. Iowa Raspberry Cornflake Cookie
- 16. <u>Kansas Somewhere Over the Rainbow</u>
 Cookie
- 17. Kentucky Derby Cookies
- 18. Louisiana Beignets and King Cake
- 19. Maine Blueberry Whoopie Cookies with Lemon Blueberry Filling
- 20. Maryland Crabby Susans
- 21. Massachusetts Boston Cream Pie Cookies
- 22. Michigan Crispy Fudge Cookie Bars
- 23. Minnesota Chewy Surprise
- 24. Mississippi Mud Sandwich Cookies
- 25. Missouri Cardinals Cookie
- 26. Montana Monster Cookies

- 27. Nebraska Kool-Aid Cookie
- 28. Nevada Poker Chip Cookies
- 29. New Hampshire White Mountain Chocolate
 Chip Maple Snicker Doodles
- 30. New Jersey Berry Jersey Cookie
- 31. New Mexico Biscochitos
- 32. New York State Apple Cookie
- 33. North Carolina Sweet Potato Pie Sandwich Cookies
- 34. North Dakota Honey Rhubarb Cookies
- 35. Ohio Buckeye Cookie
- 36. Oklahoma Strawberry Cookie
- 37. Oregon Chocolate Chunk Hazelnut Cookie
- 38. <u>Pennsylvania Ben Franklin Tricorn Hat Treasures</u>
- 39. Rhode Island Ocean State Cookie
- 40. South Carolina Sand Dabs
- 41. South Dakota Black Hills
- 42. Tennessee Frosted Orange Pecan Cookies
- 43. Texas Pecan Cookies
- 44. Utah Beehive Cookie
- 45. Vermont Chewy Maple
- 46. Virginia Chocolate Cherry Cookies
- 47. Washington Chocolate Filled Raindrops
- 48. West Virginia Caramel Apple Raisin Cheese Cake Cookie Bar
- 49. Wisconsin Quarter Cookie
- 50. Wyoming Cowboy Cookies

"We want every state to be just a bit sweeter and this was the perfect way to make it happen. The BHG cookie sheets received great reviews by our bloggers and the final products all look delicious. Though I am partial to my home state, New York," said Elise Contarsy, Vice President of Brand Licensing for BHG.

<u>BHG's bakeware line</u> debuted in late 2010 and has been making taste buds happy ever since. With its unique, non-stick triple performance grid and comfortable silicone handles, it's easy to take in and out of the oven and to clean.



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