

## DIRECTIONS

- 1. In a large bowl, mix almond flour, sugar and salt together.
- 2. Add egg whites and almond extract.
- 3. Mix well with fork or hand mixer until a dough is formed.
- 4. Cover bowl with film and rest in refrigerator for 30 minutes.
- 5. After the resting time, preheat oven to 325F.
- 6. Line cookie sheet with parchment paper and set aside.
- 7. Place the sugar in a small plate.
- 8. Place the confectionery sugar in separate small plate.
- 9. Using a spoon, take some dough and roll it into a ball.
- 10. Roll each ball in the regular sugar first and confectionery next.
- 11. Place each ball on the prepared cookie sheet.
- 12. When finished, place half a candied cherry on top of each ball, pressing gently to flatten the cookies just slightly.
- 13. Bake in preheated oven for 15-20 minutes or until bottom is golden.
- 14. Do not over bake or cookies will not be soft.
- 15. Remove from oven and allow to cool on cookie sheet.



# Soft Amaretti

### **INGREDIENTS**

- 2 cups ground blanched almonds (or almond flour)
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 2 egg whites, slightly beaten
- 1 tsp almond extract
- Small pinch of salt
- 3 Tbsp sugar, for rolling
- 3 Tbsp confectionery sugar, for rolling
- Candied cherries, cut in half

#### **NONNA'S TIPS**

- You can grind blanched almonds into flour. Just make sure to do it by pulsing and pausing your food processor or else the almonds will release their natural oils.
- If the dough is sticky, wet your hands just slightly to help roll into balls.
- Cookies will be soft when you take them out of the oven. That is totally fine since that's the desired consistency.