

Toasted Almond Chocolate Clusters

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10oz raw almonds

12 oz bittersweet chocolate chips

Preheat oven to 400°. Place almonds on a baking sheet in a single layer. Roast for 6-9 minutes, until almonds are slightly toasted, being careful not to burn them. Remove almonds from baking sheet and allow to come to room temperature.

Place bittersweet chocolate in a microwave safe bowl. Microwave on half-power for 20 seconds at a time. After each 20 second interval, stir the chocolate. Continue until all the chocolate is melted (being careful not to scorch the chocolate).

Pour toasted almonds into the melted chocolate and toss until almonds are thoroughly coated. With a spoon place a cluster of 3 almonds at a time onto a wax paper-lined baking sheet. Once almond clusters are finished, place baking sheet in refrigerator until chocolate sets.

Makes about 6 dozen clusters

