

# CONNECTICUT STATE GRANGE



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## The Basic Cookie Tin

Inexpensive tins can be found at Dollar Tree, Walmart, and Big Lots. Use cupcake liners as a way to keep the same type of cookies together and from touching other varieties in the tin. Fill empty spaces in the cookie with dried fruits, nuts, or hard candies to give the tin a decorative and more edible touch. Tins also are sturdy and great for shipping.

When mailing cookies, choose hearty, thick cookies over thin, brittle cookies. This will increase the chances that cookies will arrive in one piece.



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## The Gift Basket

Give loved ones a variety of cookies and other bits by combining everything into a gift basket or gift box. Simply wrap cookies in plastic or cellophane bags and stack them in the basket, or wrap the entire basket with cookies inside. Tie ribbons or attach bows to the bags for festive and yet simple touch. Add other favorite items, or create a theme. Sample: a favorite book, a candle, tea bags, and lemon shortbread cookies.



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## The Canning Jar/Mason Jar

Canning jars will work for small cookies and look lovely tucked into gift baskets or given alone with a card. Fancy up a plain jar with a pattern under the lid with wrapping paper or fabric and add a pretty bow. Another option is to fill a canning jar with cookie mix and ingredients, and attach the recipe.

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## Boxes

Load up basic cardboard gift boxes with your favorite treats, then wrap with bows. Big, festive bows make even the plainest of boxes feel special and gift-worthy. Be sure to line the boxes with wax paper before filling to prevent bleed through.



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## Pringles Cans

Save your Pringles cans throughout the year and re-purpose them as tube containers for holiday cookies. Pretty paper and ribbon camouflage their real identity!



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## Basic To Go Containers

You don't need to stress over fussy packaging; just use basic aluminum to-go boxes! Tie on pretty tags and bows to dress them up.



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## Empty Foil & Wax Paper Boxes

Empty tin foil and wax paper boxes are the perfect size for holding a generous stack of cookies. Wrap each box in decorative paper and tie tight with a string. Just make sure you cover or remove the serrated edge.



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## CD/DVD Sleeves

A fun and classy way to dress up a single cookie. Be sure to cut out a piece of waxed paper or parchment and slide it in under the cookie so the butter doesn't soak through the paper.



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## Mugs or Tea Cups

Simple and easy. Add a tea bag or K-Cup pod as an added bonus. Wrap the cookies in a baggie, or wrap the entire mug in cellophane.



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## Muffin Tins

If you're giving a variety of cookies, or just want to make your gift a little more useful, you can pack them in a muffin tin! A half-size muffin tin (the ones with only six cavities instead of twelve) are perfect for this. Fill each cavity with a different cookie, cover with cling wrap, then add decorative ribbon. It makes for a cute presentation, and they'll be able to reuse the muffin tin after.



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