

## **Fudge Bourbon Balls**

**The only thing better than sugary sweet treats during the holidays, is sugary sweet treats made with booze!  
If you like bourbon, you're sure to love our balls!**

**This recipe makes about four dozen but you can scale it up or down depending on how festive you want to be.**

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### **Ingredients:**

**2 1/2 cups chocolate cookie crumbs (best made with Nabisco Famous wafers -- 1 package -- pulverized in a food processor within an inch of their life)**

**1 1/4 cups pecans (that's Pee-cans if you're southern, Pick-ahns if you're fancy).**

**1/2 cup good bourbon or rum (don't be a cheapskate).**

**1 cup confectioners' sugar, plus additional for rolling**

**3 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder**

**1 1/2 tablespoons honey**

**In the bowl of a food processor, pulse together the cookie crumbs and pecans until the nuts are finely ground. We deal with a lot of nuts in our line of work. Finely ground is the only way to go.**

**In a separate bowl, stir together the bourbon or rum, 1 cup confectioners' sugar, the cocoa powder, and honey. Don't screw this up.**

**Add the mixture to the food processor and pulse until just combined. Let the dough rest, uncovered, at room temperature for 4 hours or, lightly covered, overnight. This will dry it out a little.**

**While the dough is resting (lazy dough), you should spend that 4 hour block doing something productive with your time. Like volunteering for charity, wrapping gifts or smoking a pipe in your finest pajamas while Bing Crosby croons holiday tunes.**

**After the dough has had time to sufficiently nap, come back to the kitchen. Use your fingers (make sure they are clean) to roll the dough into balls about 1 inch in diameter. Roll those cute little balls in confectioners' sugar. Store them airtight if you like them moist, or uncovered if you like them to develop a crunchy sugar crust on the outside. Sprinkle with (or roll the balls in) additional confectioners' sugar just before serving.**

**If your family doesn't behave at your holiday event, you can always throw the balls at their heads.**

