Pistachio Garam Masala Chocolate Chip Cookie

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Yields: 1 9-inch

What You'll Need:

- 1 bag Betty Crocker chocolate chip cookie mix
- 1 large egg
- 4 ounces (113 grams) butter, softened
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 teaspoons to 1 tablespoon garam masala
- 3/4 cup (75 grams) roasted, chopped unsalted pistachio nuts (method for roasting below)
- 1/2 cup (56 grams) chocolate chips

What You'll Do:

- 1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees (the bag says 375 F, but we're baking ours into one giant cookie-pie, so the slower oven is necessary.).
- 2. Open the bag of cookie mix. Pour it into a large bowl. (Are you with me so far?)
- 3. Add the butter, egg, garam masala and vanilla extract and using a stand/hand mixer or a wooden spoon, mix until well blended.
- 4. Add the pistachios and chocolate chips. Mix until blended.
- 5. Smoosh all of the dough into a 9-inch pie pan (glass if you have it) and bake for 25 minutes or until golden brown.
- 6. Let cool until you can't stand it any longer, and slice into pieces. Yes, ice cream is a good accompaniment. And, this would make a nice, easy dessert for a dinner party.

Method for roasting pistachios:

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.
- 2. Pour the shelled nuts onto a baking sheet and toast for about 5 minutes, or until the nuts start to turn light brown. I recommend you hover nervously around your oven with a mitt ready to take them out before you burn them all. This is just experience talking.
- 3. Let cool. Chop.

If you decide to keep it simple and just bake the bag as written, I'd still add extra vanilla and chocolate chips.