

INGREDIENTS:

BOURBON SPONGE CANDY

l cup sugar

1 cup corn syrup

1 tablespoon baking soda, sifted

1 teaspoon LorAnn Bourbon Super-Strength Flavo

 $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups dark chocolate candy coating or tempered chocolate, melted

EQUIPMENT:

LorAnn Basic Candy Thermometer (Be sure to test the accuracy of your thermometer before starting.)

LorAnn 2-Piece Dipping Tool-Set



DIRECTIONS:

- 1. Preheat oven to 225°F.
- 2. Line a 9x13 pan with parchment paper, leaving extra length to hang over the sides.
- 3. In heavy-bottomed, large saucepan with tall sides, add sugar and corn syrup. Stir to incorporate.
- 4. Over medium heat, add lid to pot for a few minutes to allow steam to build and wash the undissolved sugar crystals down into the pot.
- 5. Remove lid and stir a few times to make sure all sugar is dissolved.
- 6. Add candy thermometer and cook until the temperature reaches 295 degrees Fahrenheit.
- 7. Once the cooked candy has reached 295, remove pan from heat and sprinkle in sifted baking soda. This will cause the sugar to begin expanding.
- 8. Gently stir in bourbon flavoring and gently mix in any remaining spots of baking soda.
- 9. Pour into prepared pan. Do not try to level. You want to maintain the bubbles.
- 10. Place in preheated oven for 10 minutes.
- 11. Allow to finish cooling on the counter.

- 12. Score candy with serrated knife and break apart.
- 13. Melt chocolate melts in a double boiler (you can also do this in a microwave using short, 5 second intervals and stirring in between).
- 14. Using the dipping fork, dip sponge candies in chocolate, tap off excess. Set on dipping papers and allow to set firmly. Store in air-tight container.

