

Fun Hot Chocolate Ideas

Fun ways to warm up after being outside!

Peanut butter or Nutella Hot chocolate

_4-5 cups whole milk - Ina uses half milk, half half & half

8 oz. chocolate, chopped - Ina uses half semi-sweet, half milk chocolate

1 Tbsp. sugar

1 tsp. instant espresso or coffee powder (optional - it intensifies the chocolate, but won't make it taste like coffee)

a few drops of vanilla (optional)

1/4 cup creamy peanut butter or Nutella (or more, to taste)

In a medium saucepan, heat the milk and cream until it's steaming (don't bring it to a boil); remove from heat and add the chocolate. Let it sit a minute, then whisk until it's smooth. Whisk in everything else, stirring to melt the peanut butter or Nutella if you're using it.

Serve warm.

Cookies and Cream Hot Chocolate

3 cups cookies and cream ice cream

3 TBSP unsalted butter

¼ cup mini chocolate chips

1 cup water

In a large saucepan, melt together the chocolate chips and butter. Then add the ice cream (yes, I know but go with it).

Once ice cream has melted add the water to thin it out and let it be heated through.

Serve warm

Fun Topping for your Hot Chocolate

- Whipped Cream.
- Shaved **Chocolate**.
 - Sprinkles.
- Mini Marshmallows
 - Pretzel Rods.
- Finely Chopped Nuts.
- Toasted Coconut Flakes.