



## ***Bath Time Play Dough***

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### **Ingredients:**

- 1/2 cup baking soda
- 1/2 cup oatmeal
- 1/2 Cup cornstarch
- 1/4 Cup shampoo\*\*
- 2 T. water
- 2 T. oil (almond, coconut or olive )
- 1 tsp. glycerin (optional)
- 1-3 drops food coloring (optional)

### **Directions:**

- Powder oatmeal in blender till fine, like flour.
  - Combine soda, oats, and cornstarch in a saucepan
  - Add water, shampoo, oil, along with the glycerin and food coloring. (These last two are optional.)
  - Cook over low heat and stir until mixture becomes very thick and comes away from sides of pan cleanly and remove from heat.
  - Cool and knead dough.
  - Store the dough in a plastic bag or airtight container in the refrigerator for up to 1 month.
- \*\* 'No Tears' baby shampoo is very gentle and works well in this recipe.

### **Tips:**

- It takes just a bit of dough, about the size of a walnut, to get a little kiddo clean. (But of course they will ask for more. ☺)
- Important! Do not allow large chunks of the dough to be washed down the drain. It could clog your pipes temporarily. It will eventually dissolve, though if kept wet. (Please don't ask how I know ;P.)
- Make certain children understand that this is a soap toy and isn't for eating. (I'm certain it is nasty tasting, but you never know what a kid will taste test!)
- You can shape it or cut it out with cookie cutters, as pictured. If it dries out, simply crush it and add a bit of water to renew the dough.