

Amaretto Cheese Ball

Cheese balls party well, and this five-ingredient recipe from Lin Brinkman can be made ahead and kept on hand for instant use.

1 pound cream cheese, softened

1 cup chopped dried apricots

1 1/2 cups chopped pecans or almonds, toasted

1/2 cup amaretto

Mix softened cream cheese, 1/2 cup chopped apricots, 1/2 cup nuts and amaretto. Divide and roll into 2 balls. Mix remaining nuts and apricots in a bowl. Roll each ball in nut-fruit mixture. Serve with apple slices and crackers.