## **Peppermint Bark**

1 package vanilla flavored almond bark

2 cups (I pkg) peppermint candies, unwrapped and crushed

1 teaspoon peppermint extract

Line a cookie sheet with waxed paper; set aside. Cut bark into small pieces. Place in  $1\frac{1}{2}$ -quart microwave safe casserole and microwave on high for 2 minutes. Stir well. Repeat at 15 - 30 second intervals, stirring in between until chocolate is completely melted and smooth.

Add peppermint extract; stir to incorporate.

Add crushed peppermint candies; stir well to blend.

Pour mixture onto wax paper lined sheet. Spread to a thickness of about ¼". Refrigerate until completely cool and set. Break into bite sized pieces. Store in an airtight container.