

# Cleo Coyle's Witches' Brooms

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**S**weep away your Halloween munchies with these tasty, healthful snacks in the shape of witches' brooms. They not only look cute, they're delicious.

(Honestly, I can't stop eating them.)

And they're wonderfully fun for kids. Easily made with string cheese, mini peppers, and celery sticks, these witty, witchy treats (say that 3 times fast) are not only fun for kids, they're perfect for adult parties, too, because they pair beautifully with a chilled glass of white wine...oops, I mean...that magic "feel good" potion made from the juice of crushed vine-ripened orbs...

*Now let's sweep away our troubles  
and make some edible brooms!*

## How to Make Witches' Brooms

*Yields...as many as you like!*

### Ingredients:

**String cheese**

**Celery stalks**

**Mini Peppers** (or large pitted black or green olives)

Directions: To make each broom, cut the string cheese into thirds. Slice celery stalks into thin but sturdy slivers. Cut mini peppers (or large olives) into thin rings.



Make a shallow incision at the top of the string cheese cylinder and insert one end of the thin celery stick. You now have a broom handle. Slip the pepper ring around the cheese and slide it near the handle.

Now all you have to do is slice the cheese into broom bristles. The best way to do this is with sharp kitchen shears.

Serve them up on a pretty plate and watch them quickly fly away...into hungry mouths!

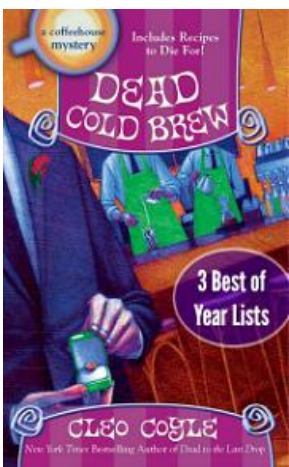


**STORING NOTE:** If making a few hours in advance of a party, store in the refrigerator. Be sure to cover the plate or tray with plastic wrap to prevent the cheese from drying out, and...



*Eat with Halloween joy!*

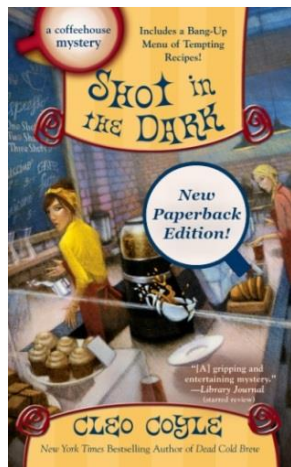
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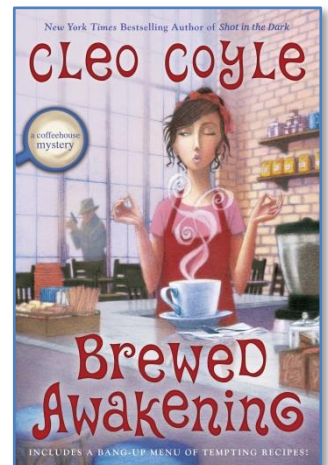


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