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Ingredients

12 large fresh strawberries
1/4 cup Nutella
1 cup milk chocolate chips, melted
1/4 cup chopped hazelnuts
Confectioners' sugar

Remove stems from strawberries. Using a paring knife, cut out centers; pipe Nutella into strawberries.

Insert a toothpick into the side of each strawberry. Holding toothpick, quickly dip stem end of strawberry into melted chocolate; allow excess to drip off. Sprinkle with hazelnuts; place strawberries on a waxed paper-lined baking sheet, point side up. Remove toothpicks; refrigerate strawberries until set. Just before serving, dust with confectioners' sugar. Yield: 1 dozen.

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Interesting Valentine's Factoids

- According to the Greeting Card Association, 190 million Valentine's Day cards are exchanged annually, making Valentine's Day the second most popular greeting card-giving occasion, after Christmas.
- The average U.S. consumer spent around \$146.84 on Valentine's Day gifts, meals and entertainment in 2016, according to an annual U.S. National Retail Federation survey.
- According to the National Confectioners Association, about eight billion candy hearts were made in 2009.
- The first Valentine's Day box of chocolates was introduced by Richard Cadbury in 1868.
- On Valentine's Day 2010, 39,897 people in Mexico City broke the record for the world's largest group kiss.
 - On Valentine's Day, nearly 189 million stems of roses are sold in the U.S.
 - A kiss on Valentine's Day is considered to bring good luck all year.
 - Each year 300,000 letters go through Loveland, Colorado, to get a special heart stamp cancellation for Valentine's Day.
 - Last year, we bought more than **\$345 million** dollars worth of chocolate! Here are a few more fun facts about Valentine's Day consumption: **58 million pounds** of chocolate candy will be purchased the week before Valentine's Day.



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