

## **Breakfast Bars**





8 25 min

If oatmeal breakfast bars are a morning go-to in your household, this recipe for Breakfast Bars is a must try. Use your favorite dried fruit mix to customize each batch to you and your family's taste. These bars are chewy, a great way to prep for the week, and a yummy addition to breakfast.

## **Ingredients**

- 1 cup Quaker® Oats-Old Fashioned
- 1 bag mixed dried fruit (7 oz)
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup shredded unsweetened coconut (optional)
- 1/4 cup chopped walnuts (optional)
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/4 tsp ground cinnamon
- 1/4 cup honey
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 1/4 cup unsweetened almond or peanut butter
- 1 tbsp lowfat or fat free milk
- 1/2 tsp vanilla extract

## **Cooking Instructions**

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°F; lightly coat an 8 x 8-inch baking pan with nonstick spray.
- 2. In a bowl, toss together the oats, dried fruit, sugar, coconut, walnuts, salt, and cinnamon.
- 3. Set aside.
- 4. In a second bowl blend together the honey, olive oil, almond butter, milk, and vanilla.
- 5. Pour honey mixture over the oat mixture and stir until completely coated.
- 6. Pour mixture into prepared pan and press firmly.
- 7. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes or until beginning to brown and turn bubbly.
- 8. Remove from oven, let stand for 10 minutes, then cut while still warm.

- 9. Let cool completely before removing from the pan.
- 10. Store in air tight container.
- 11. Bars will last up to a week.