

## **Caramel Oatmeal Chewies**





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Caramel Oatmeal Chewies are the perfect combination of wholesome oats and buttery caramel. This recipe is both rich and decadent and a great dessert option for any occasion. Thick, soft and chewy, these can be made ahead and served at parties.

## Ingredients

- 1 ¾ cups Quaker® Oats (quick or old fashioned, uncooked)
- 1 <sup>3</sup>⁄<sub>4</sub> cups all-purpose flour, divided
- 3/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 1/2 tsp baking soda
- 1/4 tsp salt (optional)
- 12 tbsp butter or margarine, melted
- 2 cups (12 oz pkg) semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 1 cup chopped nuts
- 1 cup caramel ice cream topping

## **Cooking Instructions**

- 1. Heat oven to 350°F.
- 2. Grease bottom of 13x9-inch metal baking pan.
- 3. In large bowl, combine oats,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups flour, sugar, baking soda and salt.
- 4. Stir in butter; mix well.
- 5. Reserve 1 cup oat mixture; press remaining oat mixture onto bottom of baking pan.
- 6. Bake 12 to 15 minutes or until golden brown.
- 7. Sprinkle with chips and nuts.
- 8. Mix caramel topping with remaining flour in small bowl; drizzle over nuts to within 1/4 inch of pan edges.
- 9. Sprinkle with reserved oat mixture.
- 10. Continue baking 18 to 22 minutes or until golden brown.

- 11. Cool in pan on wire rack; refrigerate until firm.
- 12. Cut into bars.