

## **Chocolate Banana Date Oatmeal**



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## **Ingredients**

- 1 3/4 c water
- 1 cup Quaker® Oats (quick or old fashioned, uncooked) you can also use Quaker Instant Oatmeal if that's what you have on hand
- 2 tbsp cocoa powder
- 1/2 tsp vanilla extract
- Pinch of salt (1/8 tsp)
- 1 banana, halved with one half mashed and the other cut into slices
- 1/4 c dates, chopped
- 2 tbsp cashew butter, or your preferred nut butter
- 2 tbsp unsweetened coconut chips, or coconut flakes if you have that on hand

## **Cooking Instructions**

- 1. First, boil the water in a medium-sized saucepan over medium heat. Then, we'll stir in the oats, cocoa powder, vanilla, salt, the 1/2 mashed banana, and dates.
- 2. Cook this for 5 minutes stirring occasionally until the dates have softened and the banana is mixed through.
- 3. When that's done, remove from the heat and divide into two bowls. Top each bowl with the banana slices, cashew butter and coconut chips.