No-Bake Chocolate Oat Bars

Makes 16 to 20 bars

Prep Time: 15 minutes

Total Time: 2 hours 15 minutes

Ingredients

- 1 cup butter
- $-\frac{1}{2}$ cup brown sugar, packed
- 1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
- 3 cups rolled oats
- ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 cup dark chocolate chips
- ¾ cup chunky peanut butter

Directions

- 1. Line a 8-inch-by-8-inch baking dish with parchment paper, and set aside.
- 2. In a medium saucepan, combine the butter, brown sugar and vanilla extract. Heat over low-heat, until the butter has melted and the sugar has dissolved.
- 3. Add the oats, cinnamon and kosher salt. Cook, stirring constantly, for 4 to 5 minutes.
- 4. Pour half of the oat mixture into the prepared baking dish. Spread out the mixture evenly, pressing down.
- 5. In a small microwave-safe bowl, combine the chocolate chips and the peanut butter. Heat on high in the microwave, in increments of 40 seconds, stirring in between each increment, until melted and fully combined.
- 6. Pour $\frac{4}{5}$ of the chocolate mixture into the pan over the pressed oats, reserving about $\frac{1}{4}$ cup for drizzling. Top with the remaining oats and drizzle with the remaining $\frac{1}{4}$ cup chocolate mixture.

7. Refrigerate for 4 hours, or until set.

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