

Berry Crumb Bars

■ SERVINGS

S COOKING TIME

12

30 min

Berry Crumb Bars offer a delightful blend of sweet berries nestled between layers of buttery crumb crust and topping, creating a perfect handheld treat.

Ingredients

- 1 1/4 cups Quaker Old Fashioned Oats
- 1 cup Quaker Oat Flour
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 2 tbsp light brown sugar
- 1/8 tsp baking soda
- 1/2 cup margarine
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 cup mixed berry jam or preserves (no sugar added)
- 1/2 cup small fresh blueberries or raspberries (optional)
- Optional, sea salt
- 1 tbsp water

Cooking Instructions

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Line a 9x9 inch pan with parchment paper, with overhang on the sides. (to lift the bars up out of the pan after cooling.
- 2. Spray with pan coating and set aside.
- 3. In a large mixing bowl, combine out flour, old fashioned outs, sugars, baking soda and salt. Mix well.
- 4. Melt the butter in a microwave safe bowl at 30 second intervals until completely melted.
- 5. Pour margarine and vanilla over the dry ingredients. Mix using a spatula until mixture is thoroughly moistened and resembles a crumble.
- 6. Pull 1 cup of crumble mixture out of the bowl and set aside.
- 7. Add 1 tbsp of water to the remaining mixture in the bowl. Mix to moisten. Transfer the remaining crumble into the baking pan. Press the crumb into the bottom creating a smooth

layer.

- 8. If your berry jam is thick, microwave it for 30 seconds to loosen it up. Spread the jam or preserves evenly onto the smooth crumb crust using a spatula or spoon.
- 9. Sprinkle fresh fruit and remaining crumble evenly across the jam layer.
- 10. Bake in the oven for 25-30 min until jam is bubbly and crumb topping is golden. Remove from the oven and allow to cool completely.
- 11. Once cooled, remove the bars out of the pan by running a knife or spatula around the edges of the bars and pulling up on the parchment. Cut into 12 squares and enjoy!