

# **Pumpkin Butterscotch Fudge Bars**

**SERVINGS** 

**©** COOKING TIME

48 25 min

Pumpkin Butterscotch Fudge Bars have a cookie base with a smooth and creamy fudge topping. This decadent oatmeal fudge bar recipe combines a variety of yummy flavors including coconut, pumpkin, butterscotch, marshmallows and nuts.

## **Ingredients**

#### **Cookie Base**

- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 cup Quaker® Oats (quick or old fashioned, uncooked)
- 3/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts
- 1/2 cup flaked coconut
- 3/4 tsp pumpkin pie spice
- 1/2 tsp baking soda
- 12 tbsp butter or margarine, melted

### **Fudge**

- 16 Medjool Dates, pitted
- 3/4 1 cup evaporated milk
- 1/4 cup LIBBY'S® 100% Pure Pumpkin
- 1 ½ tsp pumpkin pie spice
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 1 cup butterscotch chips
- 3/4 cup chopped walnuts, divided
- 1 tsp vanilla

## **Cooking Instructions**

- 1. Heat oven to 350°F.
- 2. Line 15 x 10-inch jelly-roll pan with foil.
- 3. For cookie base, combine flour, oats, brown sugar, nuts, coconut, pumpkin pie spice and baking soda in medium bowl; mix well.
- 4. Stir in butter; mix well.
- 5. Press into jelly-roll pan.
- 6. Bake 13 to 15 minutes or until lightly brown.
- 7. Cool in pan on wire rack.
- 8. For fudge, add dates, salt, vanilla, and milk (starting with ¾ cup of milk) into a high powered blender or food processor and blend until mixture is smooth and there are no date chunks detectable.
- 9. Add more almond milk, 1-2 Tablespoons at a time, if needed to help the blending process or to thin the fudge.
- 10. Fold-in the melted butterscotch and pumpkin puree
- 11. Drizzle over or spread over cookie base and top with chopped walnuts.
- 12. Use immediately or store in the fridge for later.
- 13. Cut into bars.