Granola Snack Bars

from Rachel Thomas

2 cups old-fashioned oats

1 cup flour (all-purpose or whole wheat or mix the two)

2/3 cup packed brown sugar (light or dark)

1/2 cup dried cranberries

1/4 cup mini chocolate chips

1/2 cup toasted wheat germ

3/4 teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon cinnamon

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1/2 cup vegetable oil

1/2 cup honey

2 teaspoons vanilla

1 large egg

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Spray an 8x11 inch casserole pan with cooking spray.

Combine dry ingredients (oats through cinnamon). In a separate bowl, combine wet ingredients. Pour wet ingredients into dry ingredients and stir until combined.

Pour batter into pan. Pat into pan with dripping wet hands.

Bake at 350 degrees for 20-25 minutes or until lightly browned.

Cool and cut into 1 1/2 inch bars.

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Great with yogurt and fruit or just grab a handful for a quick snack.

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2 cups old-fashioned oats

1/2 cup wheat germ

2 Tablespoons brown sugar (light or dark)

1/4 teaspoon salt

1/3 cup sliced almonds

1/3 cup chopped walnuts

1/3 cup coconut

1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon

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1/4 cup maple syrup

3 Tablespoons vegetable oil

1 Tablespoon water

Preheat oven to 275 degrees.

Spray large baking sheet with cooking spray.

Combine dry ingredients (oats through coconut).

Bring syrup, oil, water, and cinnamon to a simmer over low heat. Drizzle over oat mixture and stir to combine. Pour onto baking sheet and spread into thin layer.

Bake at 275 degrees for 45 minutes, stirring every 15 minutes.

Can be stored in air-tight container up to two weeks.