Peanut Butter Pumpkin Protein Bars



PREP TIME: 10 minutes

CHILL TIME: 30 minutes TOTAL TIME: 40 minutes

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Ingredients:

- 1 ¹/₂ Cups Gluten Free Rolled Oats
- 1 Cup Organic Unsweetened Creamy Peanut Butter
- ¹/₄ Cup Coconut Sugar
- 5 Medjool Dates Pitted
- ¹/₄ teaspoon Himalayan Sea Salt
- 1 TBSP Chia Seeds
- 1 TBSP Flax Seeds
- 1/3 Cup Vegan Vanilla Protein Powder
- 1/3 Cup Unsweetened Coconut Milk (more if needed)
- ¹/₄ Cup Pumpkin Seed + 2 TBSP for Topping
- 1/3 Cup Cacao Nibs + 2 TBSP for Topping

Instructions:

- 1. Set aside a 9 X 9 baking pan lined with parchment paper.
- 2. In a food processor (with the single blade attachment), add the peanut butter, oats, sugar, dates, and salt. Mix or pulse until evenly combined.
- 3. Next add in the chia seeds, flax seeds, protein, and milk. Pulse until combined.
- 4. Pour in the ¼ cup pumpkin seeds and 1/3 cup cacao nibs. Pulse lightly just a few times.
- 5. Spread evenly, pressing down with a rubber spatula on the bottom of the 9 X 9 pan until level.
- 6. Sprinkle the top evenly with remaining pumpkin seeds & cacao nibs. Press down gently with spatula.
- 7. Freeze for 30 minutes. Remove from freezer & slice into 12-16 squares.
- 8. Keep refrigerated (in sealed container) for up to 1 week. Freeze for up to 3 months.

*Try and use all organic ingredients if possible.

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