# Blackberry Breakfast Bars

These bars are not only an exceptional way to start the day, but they're also great for the fast break - a quick energy snack between all those daily activities.

Recipe Type: Breakfast, Fruits, Snack, Vegetarian

### Ingredients

2 cups Fresh or frozen blackberries

- 2 Tbs sugar
- 2 Tbs water
- 1 Tbs lemon juice
- ½ tsp ground cinnamon
- 1/2 cup all purpose white flour
- ½ cup all purpose wheat flour
- 1 cup quick cooking rolled oats
- <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cup packed brown sugar
- 1/4 tsp ground cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp baking soda
- 1/2 cup margarine or butter melted

#### **Directions**

- 1 For filling, using medium saucepan, combine blackberries, sugar, water, lemon juice and ½ teaspoon cinnamon.
- 2 Bring to a boil and reduce heat.
- 3 Simmer, uncovered, for about 8 minutes or until slightly thickened, stirring frequently.
- 4 Remove from heat.
- 5 For crust, in a large mixing bowl, stir together flour, oats, brown sugar, ¼ teaspoon cinnamon and baking soda
- 6 Stir in melted butter or margarine until thoroughly combined.
- 7 Set aside 1 cup of the oat mixture for topping.
- 8 Press remaining oat mixture into an ungreased 9x9x2 inch pan.
- 9 Bake at 350 degree oven for 20 minutes.
- 10 Carefully spread filling on top of baked crust.
- 11 Sprinkle remaining oat mixture lightly pressing into filling.
- 12 Bake at 350 degrees for 20 to 25 minutes until topping is set.
- 13 Cool in pan on a wire rack.
- 14 Cut into 18 bars.

Oven Temperature: 350°F

#### **Cooking Times**

Preparation Time: 15 minutes Cooking Time: 45 minutes

Total Time: 1 hour

#### **Nutrition Facts**

Nutrition (per serving): 148 calories, 5.6g total fat, 3.3g saturated fat, 13.6mg cholesterol, 57.5mg sodium, 23.7g carbohydrates, 1.5g fiber, 14.4g sugar, 1.6g protein.

Servings: 18 Yield: 18 bars



## **Weight Watchers Points**

Note: The Weight Watchers points values do not include the blackberries and lemon juice.

Orig. WW Pts: 3 Points Plus: 4 Smart Points: 6

FreeStyle Smart Points: 6

### **Tips**

You can substitute the blackberries with your favorite berry flavor. Or make it a mixed berry bar by using 2 or more different types of berries.

Source: Oregon Raspberry and Blackberry Commission

Web Page: www.oregon-berries.com