



## Chocolate Pumpkin Energy Bars

6 servings 45 minutes

## Ingredients

1/3 cup Pumpkin Seed Butter (melted)
3 tbsps Maple Syrup
1/2 tsp Ground Ginger
1/2 tsp Cinnamon
1 1/2 cups Rice Puffs Cereal
1/2 cup Pumpkin Seeds
1 oz Dark Chocolate (chopped)

## **Directions**

- In a mixing bowl, whisk together the pumpkin seed butter, maple syrup, ginger, and cinnamon. Gently fold in the rice puffs cereal and pumpkin seeds.
- Transfer and spread the mixture across a parchment-lined container or baking dish. Place another layer of parchment paper on top and firmly press into an even packed layer. (Note: If not compact enough, the bars may come out crumbly.)
- In the microwave, heat the dark chocolate in a small bowl for 30 seconds at a time, until melted. Drizzle overtop with a small spoon.
- 4 Freeze for about 30 minutes and slice into bars. Enjoy!

## **Notes**

**Leftovers:** Refrigerate in an airtight container for up to two weeks, or freeze for up to two months.

Serving Size: One serving equals two bars. A  $9 \times 6 \times 1/2$ -inch container was used to make 12 bars or six servings.

No Pumpkin Seed Butter: Use tahini, sunflower seed butter, peanut butter, or almond butter instead.