

### Banana Muffins

# Ingredients:

- ♦ 1 cup flour
- $\diamondsuit$   $\frac{1}{2}$  cup quick cooking oatmeal
- $\diamond$   $\frac{1}{4}$  cup brown sugar
- ♦ 1 T. baking powder
- $\diamondsuit$   $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. ground cinnamon
- ♦ 1/8 tsp. salt

#### Directions:

- 1. Preheat oven to 400°F.
- 2. In a large bowl, stir together: flour, oatmeal, brown sugar, baking powder, cinnamon and
- 3. Line muffin cups w/ liners or spray with non-stick spray.

- ♦ 1/3 cup lowfat milk
- ♦ 1 eqq
- ♦ 2 T. canola oil
- ♦ 1 large banana, slightly mashed with a fork
  - 4. In a medium bowl, combine milk, egg, and oil. Add banana.
  - Pour banana mixture into dry ingredients and stir until moistened.
  - Fill muffin tins 2/3 full. Bake for 20 minutes or until an inserted toothpick comes out clean.

(makes 10-12 muffins)



# Peanut Cinnamon Logs

## Ingredients:

- ♦ 2 slices raisin bread
- ♦ 1 T. peanut butter

#### Directions:

- 1. Trim crusts from bread.
- 2. Spread peanut butter on 1 slice of bread.
- 3. Sprinkle cinnamon and granola over the peanut butter

- dash cinnamon
- ♦ 1 T. granola cereal
  - 4. Cover with other slice of bread and press down lightly.
  - 5. Slice sandwich into 3 rectangles.



# Fruity Smoothie

## Ingredients:

- ♦ 2 bananas, peeled
- ♦ 3 cups frozen strawberries
- $\diamondsuit$  1 ½ cups lowfat milk

### Directions:

- 1. Add all ingredients to blender.
- 2. Blend on High until smooth.
- 3. Pour into 6 cups. Serve.















# Sugar and Spice Snack Mix

## Ingredients:

- ♦ 3 c. toasted oat squares cereal
- ♦ 3 c. small pretzels
- ♦ 2 T. butter or margarine, melted
- ♦ 1 T. brown sugar
- $\diamondsuit$   $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. ground cinnamon
- ♦ 1 c. raisins or dried fruit

#### Directions:

- 1. Preheat oven to 325°F.
- 2. In a large plastic bag or bowl, combine oat squares and pretzels.
- 3. In a small bowl, stir together brown sugar, and cinnamon. Pour over cereal mixture. Mix until well coated.
- 4. Transfer to a baking sheet. Bake, uncovered, for 25 minutes, stirring once or twice.
- 5. Add dried fruit when cooled and stir to mix.
- 6. Store at room temperature in an airtight container for up to 2 weeks. (14 servings)

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## Jam Bars

### Ingredients:

 $\diamondsuit$   $\frac{3}{4}$  c. whole wheat pastry flour

 $\diamond$   $\frac{1}{4}$  c. quick cooking oats

 $\diamondsuit$   $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. baking soda

 $\diamondsuit$   $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. cinnamon

streusel topping:

 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$  c. quick cooking oats

♦ 2 T. sugar

♦ 1/3 c. applesauce

♦ 1 T. canola oil

 $\diamond$   $\frac{3}{4}$  c. - 1 c. all fruit preserves

♦ 2 T. whole wheat pastry flour

♦ 1 T. canola oil

#### Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Combine the flour, oats, baking soda, cinnamon and salt in a bowl. Stir together.

- 2. Make a well in the center of the dry ingredients and add the applesauce and oil. Stir together until wet and dry are combined well.
- 3. Spread mixture into a lightly oiled or sprayed  $9\times9''$  baking pan. Carefully spread preserves evenly over the batter, using a spatula.
- 4. In a small bowl, mix streusel topping ingredients until combined. Sprinkle over preserves and pat down gently.
- 5. Bake for 25-30 minutes or until the topping is golden. Allow to cool until warm, then cut into 12 pieces.



# Banana Smunchies

#### Ingredients:

- ♦ 1 ripe banana
- ♦ 1/3 c. peanut butter
- ♦ 4 graham crackers, broken in half

#### Directions:

- 1. In a medium bowl, mash banana with a fork.
- 2. Mix in peanut butter.
- 3. Put a spoonful of the banana/pb mixture onto half a graham cracker.
- 4. Cover with another half of graham cracker.
- 5. Wrap each "sandwich" in plastic and place in the freezer for 3 hours.

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# Whole Grain Pita Pizza

### Ingredients:

- ♦ 2 round 6-7" whole wheat pitas
- ♦ 1/2 cup spaghetti sauce
- ♦ 1/3 cup park-skim mozzarella cheese, shredded
- ♦ 1 cup chopped vegetables: onions, peppers, mushrooms, olives, shredded carrot, broccoli
- ♦ olive oil

#### Directions:

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Place pita rounds on a baking sheet or pan. Spread half the sauce on each pita round. If using spinach, add it now, before the cheese!
- 2. Top with cheese, divided between the two pitas, then top with vegetables. Drizzle with a little oil.
- 3. Bake for 10-15 minutes or until cheese is melted and vegetables are cooked.
  - ♦ serves 2









# Super Salsa

#### Ingredients:

- ♦ 16 oz. can crushed tomatoes
- $\diamond$   $\frac{1}{2}$  c. canned or frozen corn
- $\diamond$   $\frac{1}{2}$  green bell pepper, chopped finely
- $\diamond$   $\frac{1}{4}$  tsp. garlic powder
- ♦ 1 T. red wine vinegar

### Directions:

- 1. Put all ingredients into a mixing bowl.
- 2. Stir and refrigerate for a few hours. Serve with veggie sticks, baked tortilla chips. Hint: for a sweeter salsa, add 1/3 cup canned crushed pineapple and use apple cider vinegar! To add protein, add  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of canned black beans, drained and rinsed. YUM!

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