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### VEGAN DOUBLE CHOCOLATE OAT ZUCCHINI BROWNIES

This recipe makes 12 brownies.

### INGREDIENTS

1/2 cup smooth peanut butter or almond butter

- 1/4 cup honey
- 1/2 cup unsweetened applesauce
- l teaspoon vanilla
- 1/2 cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- 3/4 cup old fashioned oats
- l teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon instant coffee or espresso powder, (optional)
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- $1 \ 1/2$  cups shredded zucchini
- 1/2 cup dark chocolate chips

#### DIRECTIONS

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.
- 2. Lightly spray an 8x11-baking pan with non-stick cooking spray.
- 3. Place oats in food processor and process until finely ground. Set aside.
- 4. In a large bowl mix together the nut butter, applesauce, honey and vanilla until smooth.

5. Add in zucchini, cocoa powder, ground oats, baking soda, instant coffee and salt; mix until well combined. Fold in half of the chocolate chips.

6. Pour batter into prepared baking pan and sprinkle remaining chocolate chips over the top. Bake for 25-30 minutes or until tooth pick inserted into middle comes out clean.

7. Cool brownies in the pan on a wire rack until completely cooled, then cut into squares and enjoy!

## COOKS NOTES

Brownies can be stored in the fridge.