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Coconut Bars (Serves 5)

Ingredients

- 1 cup unsweetened, shredded coconut
- 1 packet of stevia
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/₃ cup coconut cream
- 3 tablespoons coconut oil
- 2 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder

Instructions

- 1. Mix shredded coconut with coconut cream,1/2 of the vanilla extract and ½ packet of stevia and blend well with a spatula or a spoon
- 2. Place the shredded coconut mixture on a small cookie sheet lined with parchment paper
- 3. Shape it into a flat rectangle about 4 inches by 6 inches and 1 inch thick (measurements may vary) You can aid yourself with kitchen wrap to accomplish this.
- 4. Place in the freezer for 2 hours, until frozen solid
- 5. Remove from the freezer and cut into 5 bars
- 6. In the meantime you will prepare the chocolate coating:
- 7. Melt coconut oil in a small sauce pan until liquified
- 8. Add cocoa powder remaining stevia and vanilla extract to the coconut oil
- 9. Mix well on low heat for about 2 minutes, until all ingredients are well blended
- 10. Let cool to room temperature, but still liquid
- 11. Now dip the bars in the cocoa mixture, and turn to all sides to coat evenly. It helps if the bars are frozen solid so they won't break.
- 12. Place bars back on the cookie sheet
- 13. When all bars are all coated put in the refrigerator to harden.
- 14. The bars can be kept in the fridge for harder consistency or at room temperature for softer.
- 15. Cacao will melt if kept at a temperature too high.

Flourless chocolate muffins

Ingredients

- 1/2 cup almond butter (can use other nut butter as well)*
- 1 ripe medium/large banana
- 1 egg
- 1/4 cup honey
- 1/4 cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- 2 Tbsp. ground flaxseed
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract
- 1/2 tsp. baking soda
- 1/4 cup chocolate chips, plus more for sprinkling on top

Instructions

- 1. Preheat oven to 180 degrees and prepare a muffin pan by spraying 9 cavities with cooking spray. Set aside.
- 2. Add all ingredients except for chocolate chips to a blender and blend on high until batter is smooth and creamy. Stir in chocolate chips by hand.
- 3. Pour batter into prepared muffin pan, filling each cavity until it is about 3/4 full.
- 4. Bake for 10-12 minutes, until the tops of your muffins are set and a toothpick inserted into the middle comes out clean. Allow muffins to cool in pan for ~10 minutes before removing.

