

CHOCOLATE OATMEAL BARS

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INGREDIENTS:

2/3 C butter or margarine, softened
1 C packed brown sugar
1/3 C corn syrup
1 tsp vanilla extract
4 C quick-cooking oats
1 package (11 1/2 oz) milk chocolate chips
2/3 C chunky peanut butter
4 Heath candy bars (1.4 oz each), crushed

DIRECTIONS:

In mixing bowl, cream the butter & brown sugar. Add corn syrup & vanilla - beat well. Stir in oats - press into greased 13x9x2" baking pan - bake 12-15 minutes @ 350° F till golden brown. Cool on wire rack.

In microwave or heavy saucepan, melt chocolate chips & peanut butter - stir till blended. Spread over cooled bars; sprinkle with crushed candy bars. Refrigerate till set, before cutting.

Yield: 3 dozen