

Banana Chocolate Chip Oatmeal Muffins

INGREDIENTS

1/2 cup shredded coconut (sweetened or unsweetened)

3 ripe bananas, mashed (about 1 1/2 cups)

3 cups old-fashioned oats

 $1 \frac{1}{2}$ cups milk (any kind)

2 iarge eggs, whisked

3 Tbsps. (packed) brown sugar

2 Tbsps. vegetable oil

I tsp. baking powder

I tsp. vanilla extract

1/2 tsp. salt

I cup walnuts, coarsely chopped

1/2 cup mini chocolate chips

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°F and coat 12-count muffin tin with nonstick cooking spray.
- 2. In dry nonstick skillet over medium-low heat, toast shredded coconut 2-3 minutes, tossing frequently so it toasts evenly, until light golden and fragrant. Remove from heat and set aside.
- 3. In large mixing bowl, combine bananas, oats, milk, eggs, brown sugar, oil, baking powder, vanilla and salt. Stir using a wooden spoon or spatula until mixed evenly Then stir in walnuts, chocolate chips and toasted coconut.
- 4. Scoop mixture into I 2 muffin cups, filling to the tops Bake 30-35 minutes, until tops are golden and a toothpick inserted in middle comes out clean. Cool 5 minutes, then gently

remove from muffin tin with butter knife or small spatula. Serve, storing any leftovers i airtight container.	n an
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