

Banana and Oat "Not Cookies"

## Makes 6 large

Although these are round like cookies and contain some of the same ingredients as cookies, I don't want to mislead you. These are much more "granola-ee" chocked full of oats, nuts and seeds with only a hint of sweetness. Don't get me wrong, they are delicious, they just aren't a dessert style cookie. On the other hand, they are super hearty, delicious and a great way to start your day.

1 ripe banana

1 egg

2 tbsp maple syrup (or honey)

3 tbsp peanut butter (or another nut butter)

1 tsp cinnamon

1 1/4 cup of instant oats (large flaked also works)

¼ cup chocolate chips

¼ cup toasted pumpkin seeds

¼ cup chopped toasted walnuts

3 tbsp cracked flax seed

Preheat oven to 350F and line a baking sheet with parchment paper.

- 1. Mash the banana really well and stir in the egg, maple syrup and peanut butter.
- 2. Add the remaining ingredients and stir well to combine.
- 3. Portion out 6 large cookies on to the prepared baking sheet.
- 4. Use a damp hand to shape the cookies into rounds and press down into 1/4' thickness.
- 5. Bake for 14-16min. until the oats are just starting to brown around the edges.
- 6. Transfer to a cooling rack and cool completely before storing in an air tight container.\

Cookies will last 3 day in the cupboard but can also be frozen.