## Raspberry Scottish Shortbread

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I've always loved baking, but my favorite recipes called for lots of white flour, butter, eggs, and sugar. These oat bars are a tasty treat on the healthier side. They're called shortbread but the texture is more like a soft granola bar. Easy to make and yummy!



## Equipment:

9 x 9 baking pan

## Ingredients:

2/3 cup whole wheat pastry flour (all-purpose is fine)

1/2 tsp salt

3 cups quick-cooking oatmeal

2/3 cup vegetable oil (I used canola)

1/2 cup maple syrup

2 tsp vanilla

1/2 cup fruit-only raspberry jam (or your favorite flavor)

## Directions:

- 1. Preheat the oven to 350.
- 2. Sift the flour and salt into the dry oatmeal(I just put them in a bowl and mix.)
- 3. Add the oil to the dry ingredients and mix well.
- 4. Add the maple syrup and vanilla and mix well.
- 5. Lightly oil a  $9 \times 9$  pan. Cover the bottom of the pan with half the oatmeal mixture, pressing firmly into place with fingers.
- 6. Spread jam evenly over the mixture to cover. (I stir the jam first)
- 7. Cover with remaining oatmeal mixture, pressing gently with your fingers to pack it in tightly.
- 8. Bake for 35 minutes. Let cool 15 minutes.

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