# **Raspberry Linzer Crumb Bars**

### **Ingredients**

- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- ¾ cup old fashioned oats
- ½ cup brown sugar, packed
- 1 ½ teaspoons ground cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 stick of unsalted butter, very soft at room temperature
- 1 tablespoon of pure vanilla extract
- 1 cup sliced almonds
- 1 cup of raspberry jam

#### Instructions

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees (F)
- Prepare an 8x8 square pan by evenly spraying inside with non-stick cooking/baking spray
- In a large bowl, combine flour, oats, brown sugar, cinnamon and salt
- Using hands, work butter throughout mixture until combined into pea-size balls
- Add vanilla extract
- Work all ingredients together
- Reserve about ¾ cup of mixture aside for the topping
- Press mixture into bottom of pan and up along sides to form a crust
- Spread jam over crust
- Sprinkle with sliced almonds
- Crumble reserved topping over the top
- Bake for approximately 35 minutes until crust is browned and jam is bubbling
- Cool on rack for 15-20 minutes, slice in bars

### Tips

- Any variety of jam would work
- Nuts can be omitted or substituted with chopped pecans, walnuts or hazelnuts
- Try adding ½ cup of mini chocolate chips over the top

# To Store

- Keep refrigerated in a sealed plastic zip bag or covered well with plastic wrap
- To freeze, wrap in foil or plastic wrap then place in a freezer bag for a month
- Wrap individual slices for a great lunch-box treat or late night snack.

# Of Note

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In peace and good health, Angela Pepe Remsen and Anthony Pepe, Founders and Owners of <u>A Mano Baking Company</u>, <u>LLC</u>

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"The more you know, the more you can create. There's no end to imagination in the kitchen."

Julia Child

