Pumpkin Spice Steel Cut Oats

This recipe makes 18 cups of oatmeal



Ingredients

1 cup pumpkin puree

1 ½ cups steel-cut oats

1 tablespoon cinnamon

2 tablespoons pumpkin pie spice

½ teaspoon sea salt

½ cup brown sugar

½ cup raisins

3 cups water

3 cups milk of choice

3 additional cups water to thin before adding to trays

We prefer to use an instant pot for this recipe, but you could also cook it on the stovetop

Directions:

- 1. Add all the ingredients to the instant pot except for the last 3 cups of water
- 2. Stir all ingredients together thoroughly to ensure even distribution.
- 3. Secure the lid and set the Instant Pot to High Pressure for 30 minutes. Allow the pressure to release naturally
- 4. Stir it and then mix in 3 additional cups of water
- 5. If you use a stovetop, add water and milk to a saucepan, boil, reduce heat, and add the rest of the ingredients. Cook for about 20 minutes or until the oatmeal is cooked then add the additional 3 cups of water before adding to the trays
- 6. Spread the oatmeal evenly on your trays (about 5-6 cups per tray)
- 7. Place dividers (if you choose). We used 10 portions
- 8. Pre-freeze before Freeze Drying, when possible
- 9. Freeze Dry (my cycle time was 27 hours)
- 10. Store in jars for short-term use or in mylar bags for long-term storage

Rehydration With divider portions: Add ½ cup of boiling water to 2 of your 10 portion squares. Cover and let it sit for 5 minutes. Stir and enjoy

Rehydration Without dividers: Add about 1 cup of boiling water to 2 cups of freeze-dried oatmeal chunks. Cover and let it sit for 5 minutes. Stir and enjoy