# Quinoa Honey Lime Fruit Bars

This recipe makes 8 cups of food



## **Ingredients**

1 cup quinoa of choice
2 cups water
Dash of salt
1½ cups sliced strawberries
1½ cups diced mango
Juice from 1 lime
3 tbsp honey
2 tbsp chopped fresh mint
1½ cups blueberries

#### **Directions:**

- 1. Cook 1 cup of quinoa in 2 cups of water with a pinch of salt. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat and simmer for 15-20 minutes until all moisture is absorbed.
- 2. Let the quinoa cool to room temperature or chill it in the fridge until cold.
- 3. Add all the fruit to the cooled quinoa and mix well.
- 4. In a separate bowl, combine lime juice, honey, and mint. Stir until the honey dissolves and the dressing has a thin consistency.
- 5. Pour the dressing over the quinoa and fruit mixture, then mix thoroughly.
- 6. Line trays with parchment paper and spread the quinoa salad evenly across the trays. Use dividers to portion into 20 servings before freeze-drying.
- 7. Pre Freeze when possible
- 8. Freeze dry (my cycle time was 27 hours)
- 9. Store in jars for short-term use or in mylar bags for long-term storage

#### Rehydration:

Not intended, however these can be rehydrated by adding a little bit of water at a time, the fruit will be soft as if it had been previously frozen.

### Notes:

I spread this mixture across two trays and ended up with 40 bars. Feel free to customize them by using your favorite fruits to make them your own!

Calories: 30 Protein: 6.4 g Fat: 0.3 g Carbohydrates: 6.4 g Sugar: 3 g Fiber: 0.7 g