



Chocolate Almond Strawberries & Quinoa

Ingredients:

- 1/4 cup uncooked quinoa
- 1/2 tablespoon maple syrup
- 1 ripe banana
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon unsweetened cocoa powder
- 1/2 teaspoon almond extract
- 24 strawberries, sliced
- 1/4 cup sliced almonds

Directions:

1. In a small covered pot, bring quinoa and one cup of water to a boil.
2. Reduce to simmer and cook for 15 minutes or until the quinoa is light and fluffy.
3. Place the cooked quinoa, maple syrup, banana, cinnamon, cocoa powder, and almond extract in a separate bowl. Mash the banana and mix everything well. Allow to cool.
4. Wash and dry the strawberries. Using a small paring knife, remove the green tops. Slice berries.
5. Evenly spread quinoa mixture out in 7x7 square pan. Layer with sliced strawberries and top with slivered almonds. Eat immediately, or place in the refrigerator in a covered container to enjoy later.

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