

kitchen collage

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Easy Chocolate & Peanut Butter Fudge

Makes about 36 (1") squares

Nothing boasts a 'holiday homemade gift' quite like a classic fudge. We are big fans of anything that marries chocolate and peanut butter and this decadent treat is no exception. Serve these little squares in a beautiful tin and keep people guessing how you did it.

Peanut Layer Ingredients:

1 cup butter 1 cup creamy peanut butter 1 teaspoon vanilla extract 3-1/2 cups powdered sugar

Chocolate Layer Ingredients

7 ounces sweetened condensed milk 12 ounces semi-sweet chocolate chips 1 teaspoon vanilla extract 1/4 teaspoon salt

Garnish with flakes of grated or shaved chocolate

Directions:

- 1. Prepare an 8x8" square pan by lining it with parchment paper.
- 2. Prepare the peanut butter layer. In a small saucepan, melt the butter. Remove from heat and stir in the peanut butter and vanilla extract, and stir until smooth. Stir in the powdered sugar.
- 3. Meanwhile, prepare the chocolate layer. In a large microwave safe bowl, combine the sweetened condensed milk, chocolate chips, vanilla extract, and salt. Microwave for 1-2 minutes, stirring every 30 seconds. Stir until smooth and well-combined.
- 4. Pour the chocolate layer in the prepared pan leaving gaps as you pour, then swirl in the peanut butter layer into the gaps. Use a knife to create additional marbling effects, or leave the fudge in two distinct layers with chocolate on the bottom, peanut butter on the top.
- 5. Press down on the top of the fudge with another piece of parchment paper, so that fudge has a smooth, level top. Garnish with small flakes of shaved chocolate.
- 6. Refrigerate for at least 1 hour. Remove the bark from the refrigerator, and using the parchment paper as a sling, lift the layers from the pan, and cut into 1" squares. Serve, or package for giving. Store up to 1 week in an airtight container.