# RDKITCHEN SEPTEMBER 2017



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# IN ON THE MENU: OATS



## THE NUTRITION

**Whole Grain Source:** the USDA recommends at least half our grain choices be whole grains.

**Soluble Fiber:** a heart healthy nutrient that aides in reducing blood cholesterol.

**B-vitamins:** essential nutrients for converting food into fuel.

### THE USES

Filling breakfast: combine equal parts milk and oats, then top with fruit for an easy morning meal.

Healthy snack: use as a nutritious foundation in homemade granola.

Non-bake desserts: such as

oatmeal cookies use oats as the

high fat ingredients.

primary ingredient, thus excluding

## **PROTEIN BITES**

Makes: 1 serving

Recommended serving: 5 bites

### Ingredients:

2 tablespoons powdered peanut butter, prepared

3 tablespoons dry oats

1/2 tablespoon honey

1 tablespoon dark chocolate chips

### **Directions:**

1. Combine all ingredients and roll into balls.

### Nutrition information per serving (5 bites):

200 calories, 34 grams carbohydrates, 7 grams protein, 6 grams fat, 3.5 grams fiber, 16 grams sugar, 80mg sodium