

CHOCOLATE CHIP CHEESECAKE BARS



When you can't decide between cookies or cheesecake, try these delicious treats! Here, pre-made cookie dough is topped with a smooth cream cheese mixture and baked and ready in only 20 minutes.

Total Time: 2:40

Prep: 20 Minutes

Bake: 20 Minutes at 350°F

Chill: 2 Hours

Level: Easy

Makes: 36 Servings

INGREDIENTS

- 1 16.5- or 18-oz. roll refrigerated chocolate chip cookie dough
- 1 8 oz. package cream cheese or reduced-fat cream cheese, softened
- 1/3 c. cup sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1/2 c. miniature semisweet chocolate pieces

DIRECTIONS

- 1 - Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Line a 13x9-inch baking pan with parchment paper. Press cookie dough onto bottom of prepared pan. (You don't need to cover bottom completely because dough will expand.)
- 2 - In a medium bowl beat next four ingredients (through vanilla) with a mixer on medium until smooth. Spread over dough; sprinkle with chocolate pieces.
- 3 - Bake about 20 minutes or until set. Cool in pan on a wire rack. Cut into bars. Cover and chill at least 2 hours before serving.

TO STORE:

PLACE BARS IN A SINGLE LAYER IN AN AIRTIGHT CONTAINER. STORE IN THE REFRIGERATOR UP TO 3 DAYS OR FREEZE UP TO 1 MONTH.