

## Oatmeal Bars

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

1/2 c butter, room temperature  
1 c firmly packed brown sugar

1 t vanilla extract  
1 large egg

1 1/2 c rolled oats  
1 1/4 c whole wheat pastry flour  
1/2 t baking soda  
1/4 t salt

1 1/2 c mixed dried fruit. All date pieces is fine! or any mixture you enjoy.  
1/2 c unsweetened shredded coconut  
1 c chocolate chips

Blend together butter and brown sugar.

Mix in vanilla and egg.

Mix in dry ingredients, fruit, coconut, chocolate chips.  
Reserve some chocolate chips and coconut to sprinkle on top.

Spread mixture in a 10x15 inch pan.

Bake 15 min, until just brown around the edges. Let cool completely, then cut into squares and store in a tin box.