

# **LEMON BARS**

#### ORGANIZE INGREDIENTS AND UTENSILS

#### **INGREDIENTS, FOR THE CRUST:**

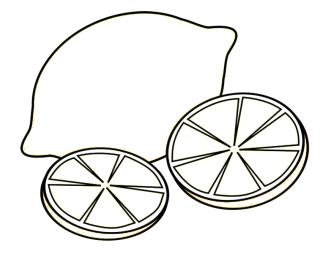
- 3 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cups all-purpose flour
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup wheat germ
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup confectioners' sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 4 sticks cold unsalted butter, cut into pieces

#### **INGREDIENTS, FOR THE FILLING:**

- 8 large eggs
- 4 cups granulated sugar
- <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cup all-purpose flour
- <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup fresh lemon juice, plus 1 tablespoon finely grated lemon zest
- <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup fresh lime juice, plus 1 tablespoon finely grated lime zest
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

### **UTENSILS:**

- Large bowl
- Medium bowl
- Whisk
- Pastry Cutter or two table knives
- 121/2-by-171/2-inch rimmed baking sheet
- Measuring cups and spoons
- Kitchen knife



## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- For the crust, heat the oven to 350 degrees. In a large bowl, whisk together the flour, wheat germ, confectioners' sugar, and salt. Add butter, and cut in using a pastry cutter, two knives, or your fingers, until the largest pieces of butter are the size of peas. We used two knives and finished it off with our fingers.
- Press evenly into a 12<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-by-17<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-inch rimmed baking sheet. Bake until golden, 35 to 40 minutes. Transfer to a wire rack until completely cool. You can also use two smaller baking sheets.
- 3. For the filling, in a medium bowl whisk together, eggs, sugar, and flour. Add lemon and lime juice, lemon and lime zest, and salt. Whisk to combine. Pour over cooled crust.
- 4. Bake until center is set, about 30 minutes. Transfer to a wire rack until completely cool. Cut into 2-inch squares. Bars can be stored in an airtight container at room temperature up to 2 days.

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