

No-Bake Blueberry Lemon Bars

Ingredients

For the Crust:

- 1 ¹/₂ cups graham cracker crumbs (or oat crumbs for a gluten-free option)
- ¹/₂ cup unsalted butter, melted
- ¹/₄ cup granulated sugar

For the Blueberry Lemon Filling:

- 1 cup fresh blueberries (you can also use frozen, just thaw them first)
- 1 cup cream cheese, softened
- 1 cup powdered sugar
- ¹/₂ cup sour cream or Greek yogurt
- ¹/₄ cup fresh lemon juice (about 1-2 lemons)
- Zest of 1 lemon
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

For Topping:

- Extra blueberries for garnish
- Lemon zest for garnish (optional)

Instructions

1. Prepare the Crust:

- In a mixing bowl, combine the graham cracker crumbs, melted butter, and granulated sugar. Mix until well combined.
- Press the mixture firmly into the bottom of an 8x8-inch square baking dish to form an even layer. Use the back of a measuring cup or your fingers to pack it down tightly. Set aside.

2. Make the Filling:

- In a blender or food processor, combine the blueberries, cream cheese, powdered sugar, sour cream (or Greek yogurt), lemon juice, lemon zest, and vanilla extract.
- Blend until smooth and creamy. If you want to have some chunks of blueberries in your filling, you can pulse the mixture instead of blending it completely.

3. Assemble the Bars:

- Pour the blueberry lemon filling over the prepared crust, spreading it evenly with a spatula.
- Gently tap the baking dish on the counter to remove any air bubbles.

4. Chill:

 Cover the dish with plastic wrap and refrigerate for at least 4 hours, or until the filling is set.

5. Serve:

- Once chilled and set, remove the bars from the refrigerator. Cut into squares or rectangles.
- Garnish with extra blueberries and lemon zest if desired.

6. Enjoy:

• Serve chilled and enjoy your delicious Blueberry Lemon Bars!

Tips

- For added flavor, you can swirl some blueberry puree on top of the filling before chilling.
- These bars can be stored in an airtight container in the refrigerator for up to a week.