

# **Luscious Lemon Bars**

Creamy, tart, and delicious—These lemon bars are always a hit! The best part? They're super easy to make. It only takes a few ingredients to bring more zest into your day!

# Ingredients

#### For crust

1 cup all-purpose flour 1/2 cup butter or margarine 1/4 cup powdered sugar

#### For filling

2 tablespoons lemon juice 1/2 teaspoon baking powder 1/4 teaspoon salt 2 eggs Powdered sugar for dusting

### Steps

- 1. Heat oven to 350°F.
- 2. Mix flour, butter and powdered sugar. Press in ungreased square pan, 8x8x2 or 9x9x2 inches, building up  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch edges.
- 3. Bake crust 20 minutes.
- 4. Beat granulated sugar, lemon peel, lemon juice, baking powder, salt and eggs with electric mixer on high speed about 3 minutes or until light and fluffy. Pour over hot crust.
- 5. Bake 25 to 30 minutes or until no indentation remains when touched lightly in center.
- 6. Cool; dust with powdered sugar. Cut into about 1½-inch squares.

## **Helpful Hints**

For a bright lemon color, add 4 to 6 drops of yellow food color with the eggs and sugar mixture. One medium lemon should give you just enough peel and juice to make these refreshing bar cookies. Make Lemon-Coconut Bars: Stir 1/2 cup flaked coconut into egg mixture in step 2. To ensure recipe success, do not use vegetable oil spreads.