Homemade No Nuts, Chocolate Spread.

Preparation Time; 10-15 Minutes

Servings; Approx 8-10

Ingredients;

- 250g Roasted Sunflower Seeds *
- 2-3 Tbsp Light Flavoured Oil (Olive oil is too strong in flavour)
- 30g Good Quality Dark Chocolate
- 2 Tbsp Cacao Powder
- 2 Tbsp Maple Syrup or Honey
- I Tsp Vanilla Extract
- Pinch Sea Salt



*You can roast your own sunflower seeds by spreading raw seeds on a baking sheet and baking for 8 minutes at 180°C until slightly golden, ensure you turn regularly to avoid burning.

Method:

- 1. Place the sunflower seeds in a powerful food processor until it begins to form a flour like consistency.
- 2. Gradually add 2-3 tablespoons of light oil and continue to blitz until a smooth paste forms.
- 3. Add dark chocolate, cacao powder, maple syrup or honey, vanilla essence and salt continue to blitz until fully combined and smooth.
- 4. Store in an airtight container at room temperature.

Author Notes;

Substitute the sunflower seeds and light oil with 250g sunflower butter. We love Meridian Sunflower Seed Butter, tastes lovely and takes less time to blend to a lovely consistency. Simply add all the ingredients to the food processor and blend until smooth.

For a nutty alternative try using peanut or almond butter. This is not suitable for school lunch boxes though due to nut allergy policies in schools.

