Quick Fudgy Brownies

Go ahead—take on the ultimate challenge, microwave homemade brownies. With this recipe and the Square Baker, rest assured the results will be amazing.

- ½ cup (125 mL) pecan halves
- 3/4 cup (175 mL) butter (11/2 sticks)
- 4 oz (125 g) unsweetened chocolate for baking
- 34 cup (175 mL) all-purpose flour
- 1½ tsp (7 mL) baking powder
- 1/4 tsp (1 mL) salt
- 11/2 cups (375 mL) sugar
- 3 eggs
- 2 tsp (5 mL) vanilla
- bars (2 oz/60 g each) chocolate-covered caramel-peanut candy (¾ cup/175 mL coarsely chopped)
 Vanilla ice cream (optional)
- Place pecans into Square Baker. Microwave on HIGH 2-3 minutes or until fragrant, stirring every 30 seconds. Set pecans aside in (1-cup/250-mL) Prep Bowl. Cut butter and chocolate into pieces using Santoku Knife; place into Small Batter Bowl. Microwave on HIGH 1-2 minutes or until melted and smooth, stirring every 30 seconds. Sift flour, baking powder and salt into Stainless (2-qt./2-L) Mixing Bowl using (7-in./18-cm) Strainer.
- Combine sugar, eggs and vanilla in Classic Batter Bowl. Whisk using Stainless Whisk. Slowly add chocolate mixture to egg mixture, whisking constantly until smooth. Fold in flour mixture until incorporated using Small Mix 'N Scraper[®].
- 3. Pour batter into baker. Microwave on HIGH 5-7 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean and edges are firm. Meanwhile, coarsely chop pecans using **Food Chopper**. Cut candy bars into ¼-in. (6-mm) pieces. Top brownies with pecans and candy pieces. Let stand 10 minutes. Serve with ice cream, if desired.

Yield: 9 servings

U.S. Nutrients per serving: Calories 500, Total Fat 31 g, Saturated Fat 16 g, Cholesterol 115 mg, Carbohydrate 54 g, Protein 7 g, Sodium 310 mg, Fiber 3 g

Cook's Tips: Any candy bar can be substituted for the chocolate-covered caramel-peanut candy bars, if desired.

For best results, use a microwave oven with a built-in turntable.

The **Deep Covered Baker**, uncovered, can be substituted for the Square Baker, if desired.



