BatWeek Eats in a Box - #TriviaTuesday

Peek inside your kitchen pantry and what do you see? Maybe a delicious mango, strawberry, or even a chocolate bar? Look a little farther and you might find something more exotic like papaya, agave syrup, avocados, or even tequila. Did you realize that these, and many other foods we enjoy, are made possible by bats? The table on the next page highlights some of the foods that are made possible by bats. Each bat-dependent ingredient in the recipe has been underlined.

No Bake Pumpkin Chocolate Fudge

- ½ cup pumpkin puree
- ½ cup melted coconut butter
- ¼ cup pure maple syrup, agave, or honey
- ¼ cup cocoa powder
- ½ tsp pure vanilla extract
- ¹⁄₁₆ tsp salt

Directions:

- Either line an 8×5 loaf pan or any small pan with parchment or wax paper OR have candy molds ready. Set aside.
- Melt coconut butter.
- Blend all ingredients until smooth—it’s smoother if you use a hand blender, but it can also be done by hand.
- Smooth the batter into either the prepared pan or candy molds and freeze until firm.
- Fudge can be stored in the fridge, or you can keep it frozen and thaw before eating.
- Snap a picture of you making or enjoying your delicious treat and post it online. Use #BatWeek and #TriviaTuesday and share your favorite fact about bats. Challenge a friend to make this snack or another one using bat-dependent ingredients.

Bat Fact! Did you know that several species of bats in Africa, North America and New Zealand, sing to attract mates? #TriviaTuesday
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