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Ingredients

- 12 cups sliced Gala apples (about 6 apples)
- 2. $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups granulated sugar, divided
- 3. 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 4. 11/4 cup gingersnap cookies
- 5. $\frac{1}{3}$ cup old-fashioned oats
- 6. 1/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 7. 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 8. 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- 5 tablespoons unsalted butter, softened
- 10. 1/2 cup walnuts, chopped
- 11. 1/4 cup cornstarch
- 12. 1½ teaspoons ground cinnamon
- 13. Vanilla ice cream, to serve

Instructions

- 1. Preheat oven to 375°. Spray a 10-inch cast-iron skillet with cooking spray.
- In a large bowl, stir together apples, 1 cup granulated sugar, and lemon juice. Set aside.
- In the work bowl of a food processor, pulse cookies until finely ground. In a medium bowl, stir together ½ cup cookie crumbs, oats, brown sugar, flour, and salt. Stir in butter and walnuts until mixture is crumbly. Set aside.
- Strain apple mixture; discard excess liquid. Stir in cornstarch, cinnamon, and remaining ½ cup granulated sugar. Pour into prepared pan, and top with cookie mixture.
- Bake until fruit is hot and top is golden brown, about 50 minutes. Serve with ice cream, if desired.