

Hash Brown and Sausage Quiche



- 1 (16 ounce) package frozen hash browns, thawed
- 4 tablespoons butter, melted
- 2 tablespoons canola oil
- 2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 teaspoon dried parsley
- 1/4 teaspoon garlic salt
- 1 pound bulk pork sausage
- 1/4 cup finely chopped sweet onion
- 5 slices Cheddar cheese
- 3 slices Swiss cheese
- 10 eggs
- 1/2 cup half and half cream
- 1/4 cup bacon bits
- 2 teaspoons dried chives
- 1 teaspoon dried cilantro
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon ground cayenne pepper

In a lightly greased 10 x 14 inch baking dish, combine hash browns, butter, canola oil, Parmesan cheese, parsley, and garlic salt. Mix well and press into bottom and 1 1/2 inches up sides of pan. Bake crust at 425 degrees for 20 minutes. Remove from oven and set aside.

Meanwhile, brown pork sausage in a non-stick skillet. Add onion to sausage when browned, cook and stir for 5 minutes. Break cheese slices into 1/2 inch squares and set aside.

In a large bowl, combine eggs, half and half cream, bacon bits, chives, cilantro, salt, and cayenne pepper. Mix well. Cover hash brown crust with cheese slices, sausage, and egg mixture.

Reset oven to 350 degrees and bake quiche for 30 to 35 minutes. Remove from oven and let stand for 5 to 10 minutes before serving.

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Serves 6 to 8

Cook's Note: Leftovers reheat well.

Variation: Add 1 cup diced fresh green peppers to sausage and onion mixture. Top quiche with 1 cup Yummee Yummee Dreamees mix Chickees cracker crumbs.