

Tater Tot Mexican/Taco Casserole

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Prep time: 15 min., Cook time: 1 hr., Total time: 1 hr. and 15 minutes

Ingredients:

- 1 pound ground beef
- 1 small onion diced
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 (1 ounce) package taco seasoning mix
- 1 (16 ounce) bag frozen Mexican style corn
- 1 (12 ounce) can black beans, rinsed and drained.
- 1 (12 ounce) bag shredded Mexican cheese blend
- 1 (16 ounce) package tater tots
- 1 (12 fluid ounce) can enchilada sauce

Directions:

Preheat an oven to 375 degrees F. Prepare a 9x13" pan with cooking spray.

Cook the ground beef in a skillet over medium heat until completely browned. 5 to 7 minutes. Add the onion, garlic, taco seasoning mix, frozen Mexican style corn, and black beans to the ground beef; cook and stir another 10 minutes. Set aside to cool slightly.

Combine the ground beef mixture in a large bowl with about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the Mexican cheese; blend and the tater tots; stir to combine.

Pour about $\frac{1}{3}$ of the enchilada sauce into the bottom of the prepared baking dish. Add the tater tot mixture to the baking dish; lightly pat the mixture down into a solid, even layer. Pour the remaining enchilada sauce over the tater tot layer.

Bake in the preheated oven for 40 minutes. Sprinkle the remaining Mexican cheese over the casserole and return to oven until the cheese is melted and bubbly; about 5 minutes more.