



Chicken Bacon Ranch Casserole



## Introduction

Chicken Bacon Ranch Casserole is a delightful dish that combines the savory flavors of chicken, crispy bacon, and a zesty ranch dressing, making it a crowd-pleaser for family dinners or potlucks. This casserole is not only delicious but also easy to prepare, ensuring that even those with busy schedules can create a comforting meal that everyone will enjoy.

## **Detailed Ingredients with measures**

Chicken: 3 cups cooked and shredded Bacon: 8 slices, cooked and crumbled

Ranch dressing: 1 cup

Cream cheese: 8 oz, softened

Cheddar cheese: 2 cups shredded

Pasta: 2 cups uncooked rotini or any preferred pasta

Green onions: 1/4 cup, chopped

Salt: to taste Pepper: to taste

# **Prep Time**

The prep time for this casserole is approximately 15 minutes. This involves gathering all the ingredients, cooking the bacon, and preparing the chicken if not already cooked.



# Cook Time, Total Time, Yield

Cook Time: 30 minutes Total Time: 45 minutes Yield: Serves 6-8 people

This casserole can be enjoyed fresh out of the oven or stored for later, making it a versatile choice for meals throughout the week. Enjoy the comforting blend of flavors in this easy Chicken Bacon Ranch Casserole.





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## **Detailed Directions and Instructions**

#### **Step 1: Preheat the Oven**

Preheat your oven to 350°F (175°C).

#### Step 2: Prepare the Chicken

Cook and shred or dice the chicken. You can use rotisserie chicken for convenience.

#### **Step 3: Cook the Bacon**

In a skillet, cook the bacon until crispy. Remove from skillet and let it drain on a paper towel. Once cooled, chop into pieces.

#### **Step 4: Mix the Casserole Ingredients**

In a large mixing bowl, combine the shredded chicken, cooked bacon, ranch dressing, and cream cheese. Mix until well combined.

#### **Step 5: Add Cheese and Noodles**

Fold in the cooked pasta and half of the shredded cheese into the mixture, ensuring everything is evenly distributed.

#### **Step 6: Transfer to Baking Dish**

Transfer the mixture to a greased 9×13 inch baking dish and spread it out evenly.

#### **Step 7: Top with Remaining Cheese**

Sprinkle the remaining shredded cheese over the top of the casserole.



#### **Step 8: Bake the Casserole**

Bake in the preheated oven for 25-30 minutes or until the cheese is melted and bubbly.

#### Step 9: Serve

Remove from the oven and let it cool for a few minutes before serving.

### **Notes**

#### **Note 1: Chicken Options**

You can use any cooked chicken, such as grilled, rotisserie, or baked.

#### **Note 2: Pasta Choices**

Any pasta can be used, such as penne, rotini, or even gluten-free options.

#### **Note 3: Ranch Dressing**

Feel free to use homemade ranch dressing or your favorite store-bought variety.

#### **Note 4: Adjusting Ingredients**

You can adjust the amount of bacon or cheese according to your preference.

#### **Note 5: Storage**

Store leftovers in an airtight container in the refrigerator for up to 3-4 days. Reheat in the oven or microwave before serving.





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