

Baked Beans

My husband and I both had cravings for baked beans – you know, the kind with the secret family recipe. But most brands have some allergen we're sensitive to. My husband was determined and he developed this recipe. I think you'll agree this comes incredibly close to the famous, secret recipe that only Duke, the dog, knows about.

Serves 6 – 8

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a 13 x 9 x 2-inch baking dish.

Cut into bite-sized pieces and place in large bowl:

1 (8 ounce) package uncooked **turkey bacon**

Then add the following and stir until well combined:

3 (15½ ounce) cans **great northern beans**, undrained

1 **small** onion, diced

1½ cups **ketchup** (see page 360)

1 cup **brown sugar**

½ cup **molasses**

2 teaspoons **dry mustard**

Pour all ingredients into prepared baking dish. Bake for 2 hours.

- For hot dogs and beans, add: 10 **hot dogs**, cut into 1-inch slices, during the last 40 minutes of cooking time.
- To use dried beans in this recipe, soak beans overnight. Cook them as usual and add them to the recipe. In this recipe, you would soak and cook 1½ cups dried beans for a total of 4½ cups cooked beans. Or simply use a 16 ounce bag of dried white beans which is about 2 cups dried beans.