

When I was growing up, I loved chili rellenos ... until I learned they were messy to make & weren't very healthy Mother came up with the perfect compromise: no frying! Through the years, I have loved her Chili Relleno Casserole ... much easier to make! (This is virtually identical to Mother's 1960s recipe, only without flour.)

Serves 3; if serving with other items, then recipe will serve 6

INGREDIENTS:

1# ground beef

2 cans chilies (7 oz cans chopped or whole – WELL DRAINED)

8 oz shredded Mexican-style cheese

3 eggs

34 cup heavy cream

Spices (or taco seasoning + salt, if not in taco seasoning)

11/4 tsp. ground cumin

11/2 tsp. dried oregano

½ tsp. garlic powder

¼ tsp. salt

¼ tsp. black pepper

4 oz shredded cheddar

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Drain chilies
- 2. Preheat oven to 350
- 3. Spray 8X8 pyrex
- 4. Brown beef
- 5. Layer:
 - a. Bottom of pan with browned ground beef
 - b. Add layer of chilies
 - c. Cover with layer of cheese
 - d. Add another layer of chilies
- 6. Whip (with fork): eggs, cream, salt, and spices
 - a. Pour over chilies
 - b. Top with a little more cheese.
- 7. Bake 350 for 35 minutes uncovered. Let stand for 10 minutes to set before serving.

Enjoy! Les'a

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