

# ALI'S KITCHEN

## These Tots are Perfect for Game Day

Bite-sized, bacon-wrapped appetizers are sure to be a hit at any family gathering

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Tater Tots evoke feelings of childhood, leisurely evenings, and grandparents. If you feel the same, then I have a fun little recipe for you!

These bit-sized, bacon-wrapped appetizers are a hit at any family gathering but are particularly perfect for game day parties (Go, Pack, go!).

Or, if you have a Tater Tot craving one

evening and decide to indulge in an entire pan of Bacon-Wrapped Tater Tots and call it "dinner," there is no shame in that either.

The wrapped Tots and dipping sauce can all be made a day ahead of time and placed in the fridge until you're ready. Simply pop the Tater Tots in

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### INGREDIENTS:

#### Bacon-Wrapped Tater Tots

- 3 cups Tater Tots thawed to room temperature
- 16 ounces bacon (Cut each bacon strip into thirds)
- 1/3 cup brown sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon chili powder

#### Dipping Sauce

- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 2 Tbs. ketchup
- 1 Tbs. horseradish
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 1/8 tsp. oregano
- pinch black pepper
- 1/2 tsp. hot sauce



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the oven about 20 minutes before you plan to feed your guests and serve them hot with the chilled sauce.

**DIRECTIONS**

Preheat oven to 400 degrees Fahrenheit.

Wrap each Tater Tot with a piece of bacon. Secure the bacon with a toothpick to keep everything securely together.

Combine the brown sugar and chili powder in a bowl. Dip all sides of the bacon-wrapped Tater Tot in the brown sugar mixture. Place on a cookie sheet.

Continue until all the bacon has been used.

Bake for 20 minutes, turning the Tots halfway through the cooking time, until the bacon is crispy.

While the Tots are baking, mix all the



sauce ingredients together. Chill in the refrigerator until ready to serve.

Enjoy! **BCT**

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