



Ingredients, Casserole:

- 32 ounce bag frozen hash browns, thawed (Ore Ida country style is our favorite)
- 1 (8 ounce container) sour cream
- 2 cups cheddar cheese
- 11.25 ounce can cream of chicken soup
- 1/2 cup salted butter melted
- ½ tsp salt
- ground black pepper to taste

Ingredients, Topping:

- ½ to ¾ stick of unsalted butter, melted
- 2 cups cornflakes, crushed

Method:

- 1. Pre-heat the oven to 375° F.
- 2. In a large bowl, combine the hash browns, shredded cheese, and sour cream, cream of chicken soup, and salt and pepper. NOTE: I usually combine the cheese, sour cream, soup, and salt and pepper in a separate bowl, then add it to the hash browns a few spoonfuls at a time.
- 3. Spread the potato mixture in a greased 9x13 baking dish.
- 4. In a smaller mixing bowl, mix together the slightly crushed Corn Flakes and melted butter.
- 5. Sprinkle the buttery Corn Flakes over the top of the casserole in the casserole dish.
- 6. Bake uncovered at 375° F for 30-40 minutes, until the casserole is golden brown.
- 7. Serve while warm.

Notes:

To quickly crush the Corn Flakes, just put them in a quart sized plastic bag, and seal the bag, making sure there's no air left in it. Then just crush the cereal with your hands, or with a rolling pin.

You can make ahead and freeze hash brown casserole. Just be sure to store it in an airtight container so it does not get freezer burn.