

Simple and Easy Homemade Meatloaf

I love comfort food. I also love recipes that are quick and homemade. It's no secret that I make meatloaf quite often because it is simple, easy, and I can make it in less than 30 minutes. What makes this meatloaf recipe unique is I use the microwave to make it. As with many people, my microwave is primarily used for warming up foods.

But not with this meatloaf recipe.

How To Make Meatloaf

We have a freezer full of meat. Since we are pig farmers, we have two freezers of pork (yes, lots of bacon!) and one freezer with beef. We have friends and family that raise cattle so periodically we buy a quarter share so we can have beef in our freezer. Depending on how many people I am expecting at mealtime, the size of the hamburger package will vary. For this recipe, I am using about 1 1/2 pounds.



Ground Beef

Don't get me wrong, if I didn't have ground beef in my freezer, I would NOT think twice about buying from my local grocery store's meat counter. It's all great!

Okay, I add 3 eggs, onion, salt, pepper (all to taste), ketchup (a couple good squirts). (I use 2 eggs

per pound of ground beef). I combine these ingredients using a fork.



Meatloaf

After it is mixed together, I add crushed soda crackers. I probably use about 1 to 1 1/2 cups.



Add in crushed soda crackers



And sometimes you need a little help mixing!

After the meatloaf is mixed together, now it's time to put it into a microwave-safe container. Honestly, this microwave safe container I use is ancient. You can't buy them any more. But I did find one a microwave cookware that I think will work just fine and would recommend it. (This is an affiliate link where I make a small commission at no extra cost to you.) You can also bake the meatloaf in the oven if you prefer. I just really like how it turns out using the microwave.



Microwave Cookware

You can purchase it here: [microwave containers](#):

I also put ketchup on top of the meatloaf so it looks good! I cook the meatloaf on high for about 9 minutes. Make sure it feels firm and cooked through before serving.



Meatloaf

The only thing left is to eat!



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I paired this with some green beans and skin-on Yukon potatoes.

All done within 30 minutes! I also use this recipe for homemade meatballs. My family loves them!

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Ingredients

- 1 1/2 pounds ground beef
- Onion (to taste)
- Salt and Pepper (to taste)
- 3 eggs
- Ketchup
- 1 to 1 1/2 cups crushed soda crackers

Instructions

1. Combine ground beef, onion, salt, pepper, eggs and ketchup.
2. After combined, add crushed soda crackers
3. Put in greased microwave-safe container for 9 minutes
4. Cook til firm and cooked through.

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