

# **Mini Meatloaf Boats**





6

25 min

Our recipe for Mini Meatloaf Boats is the perfect recipe to get the kids excited about lunch and dinner. These cute mini meatloaves with oatmeal are a fun way to incorporate oats into your diet in a unique way. While this is a kid-loved recipe, it still has all the juicy and tender meatloaf flavors for adults to enjoy.

### Ingredients

#### Meatloaf

- 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> lbs lean ground beef
- 1 cup tomato juice
- 3/4 cup Quaker® Oats (quick or old fashioned, uncooked)
- 1/4 cup chopped onion
- 1 egg, lightly beaten
- 4 to 6 tsp Mexican seasoning blend

### Toppings

- 3 slices American cheese, halved diagonally
- 6 thin pretzel sticks
- Salsa or catsup, as desired

## **Cooking Instructions**

- 1. Heat oven to 350°F.
- 2. In large bowl, combine meatloaf ingredients; mix lightly but thoroughly.
- 3. Divide mixture into 6 equal parts.
- 4. On rack of broiler pan, shape each into  $4 \ge \frac{2}{3}$  inch oval loaf.
- 5. Press the back of a measuring tablespoon into the top of each loaf to form a pocket.

- 6. (After baking, pocket will hold the salsa.)
- Bake 25 to 28 minutes or until meatloaves are to medium doneness and centers are no longer pink (160°F).
- 8. Remove meatloaves from oven.
- 9. Drain off any juices.
- 10. Form "sails" by carefully inserting pretzel sticks into cheese.
- 11. Attach "sails" to meatloaves and fill with salsa.