

Bacon Ranch Cheese Balls

Makes 24 servings

Bite size balls of cheesy bacon goodness!

**1 pound BLOOMING GLEN bacon, diced
small and cooked until crisp
2 packages (8 oz each) cream cheese,
softened**

**2 cups shredded white cheddar cheese (8oz)
1 package (1 oz) ranch salad dressing mix
(milk recipe kind)**

Directions

1. In 12-inch nonstick skillet, cook bacon in batches until crisp; drain on paper towels. Cool; crumble bacon.
2. Line cookie sheet with cooking parchment paper. In medium bowl, stir together cream cheese, Cheddar cheese, dressing mix and 1/2 cup of the crumbled bacon.
3. Shape mixture into 36 (1- inch) balls; roll cheese balls in remaining crumbled bacon. Place on cookie sheet. Refrigerate 1 hour.