Cheesy Bacon Brussel Sprout Casserole Karen Whalen Cheesy Bacon Brussel Sprout Casserole

Ingredients

ž pounds brussel sprouts, halved (fresh or frozen and thawed)
1/2 pound bacon, crumbled

• 1 cup sharp cheddar cheese, grated

1 cup fontina cheese, grated

• 1 cup heavy cream

2 eggs

2 cloves garlic, minced

2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil

1/2 teaspoon fresh thyme, minced

kosher salt and freshly ground pepper, to taste

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 400° F.

- 2. Toss brussel sprouts in olive oil and season generously with salt and pepper. Place them in a large baking dish and roast for 15-20 minutes, or until semi -softened.
- While brussel sprouts are roasting, cook bacon in a large pan or skillet over medium-high heat until crispy.
 Drain off fat and add garlic. Cook for 1-2 minutes, or until fragrant, and season
- with fresh thyme.

5. In a large bowl, whisk together eggs and heavy cream, then stir in cheeses.

- 6. Remove brussel sprouts from oven and add 3/4 bacon and garlic to the baking dish. Pour cheese mixture over the top and stir everything together, then top with remaining bacon.
- 7. Reduce oven temperature to 350°, return baking dish to oven and bake for 20-25 minutes, or until cheese is bubbly and just set.

 8. Remove from oven and let cool 5 minutes before serving.