Southern Dinner at the Bob and Muriel Brown's Cast Iron Skillet Corn Bread

Ingredients:

8 tablespoons unsalted butter 1 ¼ cups coarsely ground cornmeal ¾ cup all-purpose flour ¼ cup granulated sugar 1 teaspoon kosher salt 1 teaspoon baking powder ½ teaspoon baking soda 1/3 cup whole milk 1 cup buttermilk (shake before measuring) 2 eggs, lightly beaten Bacon grease for the skillet

Directions:

- 1. Preheat the oven to 425 degrees and place a 9-inch cast iron skillet inside the oven to heat while you make the batter. Make sure the rack is in the center of the oven.
- 2. In a large bowl, whisk together the cornmeal, flour, sugar, salt, baking powder, and baking soda.
- 3. Whisk in the milk, buttermilk, and eggs.
- 4. Whisk in the melted butter.
- 5. Carefully remove the hot skillet from the oven.
- 6. Reduce the oven temperature to 375 degrees.
- 7. Coat the bottom and sides of the hot skillet with the bacon grease.
- 8. Pour the batter into the skillet and place it in the center of the oven.
- Bake until the center is firm and toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean, 20 25 minutes.
- 10. Allow to cool for 10-15 minutes and serve.



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