BACON CARAMEL POPCORN

- 8 slices Smithfield Hickory Smoked Classic Cut Bacon
- 1 bag Microwave popcorn (popped preferably plain)
- 1 1/2 cups Brown Sugar packed
- 1 stick Unsalted butter
- 1/3 cup Pure maple syrup
- 1/2 tsp Baking soda
- 2 cup Pecans, toasted chopped
- 1/4 tsp Vanilla

- 1. Preheat your oven to 275°F.
- 2. Cook the bacon slices until crispy. Drain on paper towels. Once cool, coarsely chop into pieces. In a large bowl, toss together the popped popcorn, bacon pieces and pecans. Set aside.
- 3. In a medium sauce pan, add the butter, brown sugar and maple syrup. Melt, stirring and bring to a boil. Boil for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally.
- 4. Remove from heat and add the vanilla and baking soda.
- 5. Working quickly, pour the caramel over the popcorn mixture and stir until all the pieces are covered.
- 6. Spread out onto a parchment lined baking sheet.
- 7. Bake for 30 minutes, stirring every 10 minutes.
- 8. Remove from oven, break apart a bit and then let it cool.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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Course Desserts, Sides, Starters

Cuisine <u>American</u>