## **Easy Classic Potato Salad**

Estimated Yield: Serves 6-8

## **Ingredients:**

- 3 lbs potatoes (Yukon gold or russet), peeled and chopped
- 1 cup mayonnaise (optional)
- 1 tablespoon yellow mustard (optional)
- 2 tablespoons sweet pickle relish (optional)
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/2 teaspoon onion powder
- Salt and pepper to taste
- Optional: 4 slices bacon, cooked and chopped for garnish
- Optional: 2 green onions, chopped for garnish

## **Instructions:**

- 1. Boil the potatoes in salted water for about 10-12 minutes or until fork tender. Drain and let cool slightly.
- 2. Texture tip: Mash about 1/4 of the cooked potatoes lightly with a fork, and chop the rest into chunks for added texture.
- 3. Make the dressing: In a large mixing bowl, combine mayonnaise, mustard, relish (if using), garlic powder, onion powder, salt, and pepper. Mix until smooth.
- 4. Add potatoes to the dressing and gently fold until coated.
- 5. Taste and adjust seasonings as needed.
- 6. Cover and chill in the refrigerator overnight for best flavor development.
- 7. Before serving, garnish with chopped bacon and green onions (optional).
- 8. Serve cold at your next BBQ or family meal!

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