## **Ingredients**

5-7 slices of bacon, chopped

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 2 medium yellow onions, chopped
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon ground black pepper
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> teaspoon ground turmeric
- 6 cups chicken broth
- 4 cups russet potatoes, peeled, and cubed small bite size {about 1½ pounds}
- 4 cups fresh corn kernels {about 6-8 ears}, blanched
- 1/2 cup heavy cream
- 1 cup Cheddar cheese, grated, divided {reserve ½ cup for garnish}
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup green onions, sliced, for garnish

corn chips, for serving

## **Instructions**

- 1. Cook bacon in a large stockpot over medium-high heat until golden brown and crisp. Remove the bacon from pan, reserving 1 tablespoon dripping in the stockpot.
- 2. Reduce the heat to medium, add olive oil, onions and butter, and cook for 10 minutes, until the onions are translucent and tender.
- 3. Add flour, salt, pepper, and turmeric and cook for 3 minutes.
- 4. Increase the heat to high, add potatoes and chicken broth, bring to a boil, reduce heat, and simmer uncover for 15 minutes, until the potatoes are tender.
- 5. To help thicken the chowder, break up some of the potato pieces with a wooden spoon against the sides of the pot.
- 6. Add corn kernels, heavy cream and ½ cup Cheddar cheese, and cook for about 5 minutes. Season with salt and pepper.
  - *Note:* If you are using fresh corn, follow the instructions on how to blanch corn before adding to the stockpot. For frozen corn, you can skip this step.
- 7. Serve corn chowder in individual bowls and garnish with bacon, green onions, Cheddar cheese, and corn chips on the side.

## How to blanch corn on the cob:

Place the corn in a large pot filled with cold water to cover the corn. Turn the heat to high and cover the pot with a lid. Once water comes to a boil, turn the heat off and let it sit on the stove with the lid on for a few minutes longer. Remove the hot corn cobs and transfer them to a bowl of cold water to cool down before cutting the corn kernels from the cob.

