

Shortcut Roast Beef & Gravy over Mashed Potatoes

Ingredients:

- Deli roast beef
- Brown gravy, packet/jar/homemade
- Mashed potatoes, homemade, refrigerated, instant, or leftover
- Optional: Bread, Texas toast, sourdough, sandwich bread, or rolls
- Optional: frozen green beans, corn, peas, or salad

Directions:

- Warm the gravy in a skillet or saucepan.
- Add the deli roast beef just long enough to warm through.
- Be careful not to overheat the roast beef. Deli meat can get tough if it cooks too long.
- Serve the roast beef and gravy over mashed potatoes.

Optional Serving Idea

You can also serve this over bread, Texas toast, sourdough, sandwich bread, or rolls for an open-faced roast beef sandwich.

Melanie's Mealtime Tip:

Deli roast beef is one of those grocery store shortcuts that can save dinner when you forgot to thaw meat. Warm it gently in gravy, add mashed potatoes or bread, and you have a comfort-food dinner in about 15 minutes.

Think of this as a super easy dinner formula:

Meat + gravy + mashed potatoes

Make It Your Way

Deli roast beef keeps it super quick, but you can also use ground beef, turkey, chicken, or even frozen meatballs. It is an easy way to turn simple shortcuts into a cozy dinner without starting from scratch.

Ground Beef Shepherd's Pie-Style Bowl

Brown 1 lb ground beef, drain if needed, then stir in brown gravy. Add frozen peas, carrots, corn, or mixed veggies if you have them. Serve over mashed potatoes for an easy shepherd's pie-style dinner without baking it.

Turkey & Gravy Dinner

Use sliced deli turkey or leftover turkey with turkey gravy instead of brown gravy. Serve over mashed potatoes for a quick comfort-food dinner.

Chicken & Gravy

Use shredded chicken or rotisserie chicken with chicken gravy. This is a great way to use leftover chicken and still get that cozy mashed-potato dinner feel.

Meatballs & Gravy

Use frozen meatballs with brown gravy for another easy freezer shortcut. Serve over mashed potatoes or even egg noodles.

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