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Source: Top Secret Restaurant Recipes by Todd Wilbur Recipe: California Pizza Kitchen Original BBQ Chicken

Pizza

Ingredients:

The Crust:

1/3 cup plus 1 tablespoon warm water (105-115F)

34 teaspoon yeast

1 teaspoon sugar

1 cup bread flour

½ teaspoon salt

½ tablespoon olive oil

The topping:

1 boneless, skinless chicken breast half
½ cup bullseye Original barbecue sauce
1 ½ teaspoons olive oil
1 cup shredded mozzarella
½ grated Gouda cheese (smoked, if you can find it)
½ cup sliced red onion
2 teaspoons finely chopped fresh cilantro

Steps:

1. If you are making a homemade crust, start the dough one day before you plan to serve the pizza. In a small bowl or measuring cup dissolve the yeast and sugar in the warm water. Let it sit for 5 minutes until the surface of the mixture turns foamy. (If it doesn't foam, either the yeast was too old - i.e., dead - or the water was too hot - i.e., you killed it. Try again.) Sift together the flour and salt in a medium bowl. Make a depression in the flour and pour in the olive oil and yeast mixture. Use a fork to stir the liquid, gradually drawing in more flour as you stir with a fork, use your hands to form the dough into a ball. Knead the dough with the heels of your hands on a lightly floured surface for 10 minutes, or until the texture of the dough is smooth. Form the dough back into a ball, coat it lightly with oil, and place it into a clean bowl covered with plastic wrap. Keep the bowl in a warm place for about 2 hours to allow the dough to double in size. Punch down the dough and put it back into the covered bowl & into your refrigerator overnight. Take the dough from the refrigerator 1 to 2 hours before you plan to build the pizza so that the dough can warm up to room temperature.

If you are using a commercial dough or dough mix, follow the instructions on the package to prepare it. You may have to set some of the dough aside to make a smaller, 10-inch crust.

- 2. Cut the chicken breast into bite-size cubes & marinate it in ¼ cup BBQ sauce in the refrigerator for at least 2 hours.
- 3. When the chicken has marinated, preheat the oven to 500F. Heat a small frying pan on your stove with about $1\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoons of olive oil in it. Saute the chicken in the pan for about 3 or 4 minutes or until done.

- 4. Form the dough into a ball & roll out on a floured surface until very thin & 10 inches in diameter. Put your pizza crust onto a baking sheet or pizza pan, & spread the remaining $\frac{1}{4}$ cup if BBQ sauce evenly over the pizza crust.
- 5. Sprinkle ½ cup of the mozzarella & all the Gouda cheese over the sauce.
- 6. Add the chicken next.
- 7. The red onion goes next.
- 8. Sprinkle the remaining ½ cup mozzarella around the center of the pizza.
- 9. Cilantro goes on top of the mozzarella.
- 10. Bake the pizza for 10 to 12 minutes or until the crust is light brown.
- 11. When the pizza is done, remove it from the oven & make 4 even cuts across the pie. This will give you 8 slices.