At Home Pepperoni Roman-Style Pizza

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Sink your teeth into this cheesy and delicious pepperoni pizza that was adapted from the Roman in Teglia style, that's perfect for pizza night with the family! Fills 3 12'x16' baking sheets.

Yield: 3 pizzas Prep Time: 48 hr Bake Time: 14 min

Ingredients:

Dough

- 1kg Caputo "00" Chef's Flour
- 5g Caputo Lievito Dry Yeast
- 650g water, iced (container 1)
- 20g salt
- 100g water, iced (container 2)
- 25g extra virgin olive oil

Toppings (Per Pan)

- 250g Ciao Authentica Crushed Tomatoes
- 30g Parmesan cheese
- 200g mozzarella
- 200g pepperoni
- 6 fresh basil leaves



Instructions:

Dough:

- 1. Add only the Caputo "00" Chef's Flour to your mixing bowl and place it in the fridge for 30 minutes.
- 2. Using a stand mixer with a paddle attachment, mix in the Caputo Lievito Dry Yeast on the slowest speed for 10 seconds.
- 3. Take the 650g container of water, add 80% of it, and mix on speed 2. After 40 seconds, add the remaining 20% of the water and continue mixing on speed 2.
- 4. After about 4 minutes, the mass should be thoroughly combined and no longer stick to the sides of the container.
- 5. Add the sea salt followed immediately by 50% of the second container of water to the center of the dough and continue mixing on speed 2.
- 6. After about 2 minutes, or once the dough is combined and no longer sticking again, add the remaining 50% of water to the outside of the dough, a little at a time.
- 7. When the water is fully combined, slowly add the oil a little at a time.
- 8. Continue mixing at a rapid speed (speed 2), and knead up to a maximum of 10 minutes until the dough is combined.
- 9. Be careful not to overwork or overheat the dough during this process, which should take no longer than 24 minutes.

- 10. Cover the dough to prevent it from forming a crust, and place the container in the fridge for at least 24 hours (48 hours is ideal).
- 11. Take the dough out of the refrigerator and shape it into 600g balls.
- 12. Cover and let it rise for another 5 hours at room temperature.
- 13. Place the dough ball on a 12"-by 16" oiled baking sheet. Hand-stretch it gently, making sure the dough is evenly stretched to all sides of the baking tray.

Topping and Baking:

- 1. Spread an even layer of the Ciao Authentica Crushed Tomatoes on the dough, leaving a ½" border around the edges.
- 2. Bake at 500°F for 10 minutes. Place the pan on the bottom rack first, and after 5 minutes or when the crust becomes golden-brown, move the pan to the center of your home oven.
- When the pizza is ready, take it out of the oven and cool it down for 5 minutes using a bread cooling rack. Then add Parmesan cheese, hand-pulled pieces of mozzarella, pepperoni, and fresh basil leaves.
- 4. Bake again for 4 more minutes.
- 5. Remove from the oven and cool for a few minutes before serving.