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# Alfredo Sauce, Spinach Add Spark to Pizza

"This is an absolute hit at my house. My family loves CiCi's, so I tried one of my own. YUMMY!"

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Patty Clare's homemade spin on her family's favorite restaurant pizza offers plenty flavor to savor with her blend of spinach, alfredo sauce and cheese toppings. The easy-to-make alfredo sauce may not be low in calories, but it's worth every bit of guilt!

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# Spinach Alfredo Pizza

### What You Need

- 1 1/2 tsp active dry yeast
- 1 c lukewarm water
- 1 tsp sugar
- 1 tsp salt
- 3 1/2 c all-purpose flour
- 1/2 c butter
- 2 c grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 c heavy cream
- 10 oz. pkg frozen spinach, thawed and drained
- 3 c shredded mozzarella
- 1/2 c grated Parmesan cheese salt and garlic to taste

#### **Directions**

- Warm medium bowl by swirling some hot water in it; Drain. Place yeast in bowl and pour on warm water. Mix in sugar with fork; let stand until yeast has dissolved and starts to foam. 5-10 minutes.
- Use wooden spoon to mix in salt and about one-third of flour. Mix in another third of the flour, stirring with the spoon until the dough forms a mass and begins to pull away from the sides of the bowl.
- Knead 8-10 minutes on floured board, working in remaining flour a little at a time. Dough should be elastic and smooth; Form into a ball.

- Place dough in lightly oiled mixing bowl, rotating it to grease dough's surface. Cover bowl with moist towel; let stand in warm place until dough has doubled, about 40-50 minutes. (To test if risen enough, poke two fingers into dough. If indentations remain, the dough is ready.)
- Punch dough with your fist to release air. Knead for 1-2 minutes, then divide into two balls. Pat into flat circles on a lightly floured surface. Roll to 1/4 inch larger than size of the pan to allow for the rim of the crust.
- Place in a lightly oiled pan, folding extra dough under to make a thicker rim around the edge; brush on a light coating of olive oil.
- Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Gently melt butter in a small sauce pan and remove from heat. Stir in 2 cups Parmesan and the cream. Return to heat and bring just to boil at a lowest setting - stirring frequently. Stir in spinach. Add salt and garlic to taste.
- Spoon the alfredo and spinach onto crusts. Top with shredded mozzarella and additional Parmesan.
- Bake pizzas individually for 20 minutes or until bottom is nicely browned.

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