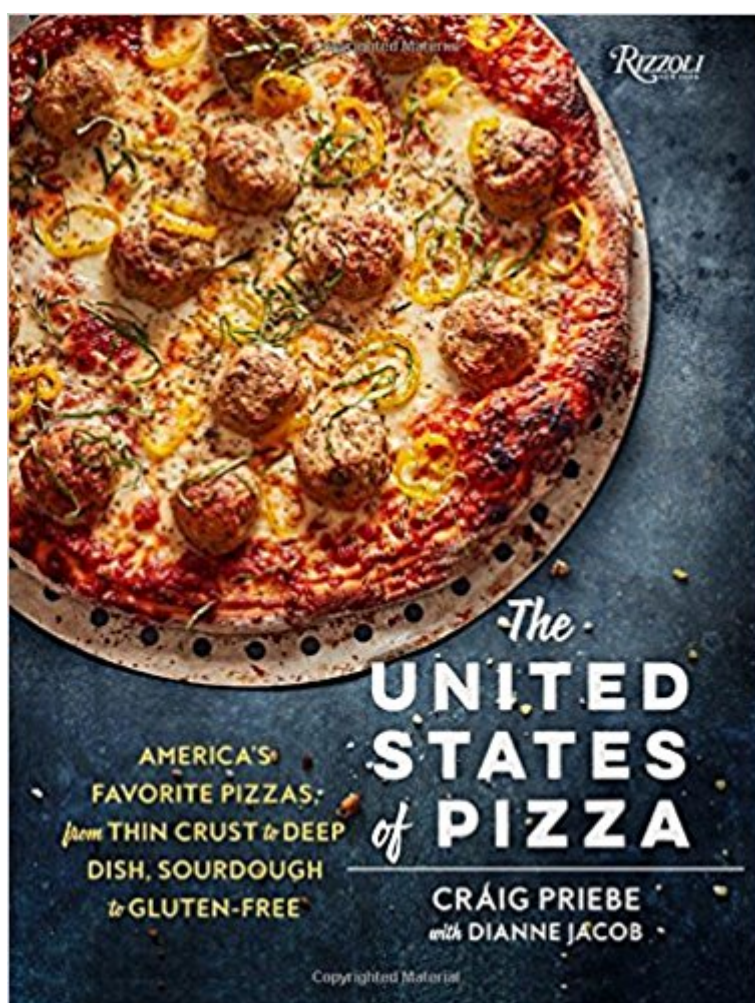


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The United States Of Pizza: America's Favorite Pizzas, From Thin Crust To Deep Dish, Sourdough To Gluten-Free



Synopsis

Recipes for homegrown pies from all regions of the country. Chef Craig Priebe has scoured the countryside, stopping in promising pizzerias to discover the tastiest pies. Smoked ham and cheddar? Roasted cauliflower and salsa verde? These toppings would be blasphemous in Naples, but in America anything goes—anything that tastes delicious, that is. His findings are collected here—stellar examples representing every style of pizza. What makes this collection of prize recipes especially fun is that each one has its own personality reflecting its local influences. From Seattle's Serious Pie comes pizza with white bean puree, asparagus, and Parmesan; from Los Angeles's Mozza, squash blossoms with burrata. The legendary Pizzeria Bianco in Phoenix offers up a pie with red onion, rosemary, and Arizona pistachios, while Louisiana Pizza Kitchen brings us one with crawfish Étouffée. Also included are blueprints for every type of dough (from Sicilian and sourdough to New York and gluten-free), a range of adaptable base sauces, an introduction covering tools and techniques, and an address book for all the pizzerias featured. The United States of Pizza shows that the country is not so much a melting pot, but instead a giant pie bubbling over with a fabulously diverse array of creative flavor combinations.

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"With his second cookbook, Priebe takes on the role of pizza enthusiast, storyteller, and food historian, capturing the oral histories from the owners of famed pizzerias across the country and packaging them with his own recipes inspired by those experiences. He seamlessly weaves his easy-going appetite for storytelling with sophisticated cooking techniques broken down for the

average cook."-TheDailyMeal.com"This is a happy book . . . With The United States of Pizza in your kitchen, you are prepared for dozens of pizza nights of delight . . . Don't feel overwhelmed by all of these ideas. Just take it one slice at a time."-CookingByTheBook.com "No pizza stone goes unturned here - rather than a painstaking paean to the classic style, [The United States of Pizza] celebrates the freewheeling Americanness of pizza, reflecting the personalities of their makers and origins."-PASTE MAGAZINE"Where other pizza cookbooks would come from a single cook or innovator, this gathers the creations of chefs from across the country and also adds notes on how the authors discovered their fare. Where other pizza cookbooks would assume some basic pizza-making knowledge or provide these directions using text, The United States of Pizza uses color step-by-step photos to visually explore different techniques . . . The result is a deliciously diverse creation that assumes little prior experience making pizza dough or toppings, and requires only an interest in innovative productions to prove an exciting addition to any cook's collection."-CALIFORNIA BOOKWATCH"The country's best regional recipes, in one keepsake collection."-REAL SIMPLE MAGAZINE"Priebe and Jacob's book is worth a look if only for its regional tour of American pizza styles. And if you've never made your own pizza, the ideas for unusual toppings (Buffalo Chicken, Spring Lamb Sausage, Shrimp Scampi, Deep-Dish Reuben with Zucchini Pickle Relish) are intriguing . . . My favorite was the shamelessly good Baked Egg and Eggplant Pizza from Dolce Vita in Houston."-Cree LeFavour, THE NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW"[The United States of Pizza] is a celebration of a country whose pizza is as wildly diverse as its population - white clam pizza from New Haven, deep dish pizza from Chicago, crab pizza from Baltimore, and so on. They're inspired by restaurants all over the country, but each recipe is Priebe's own interpretation - which means they're consistent, and they work."-NPR BOOKS"What separates [The United States of Pizza] from the pack: Each pizza is plucked from a restaurant in the U.S., with a paragraph telling its story - at once satisfying our innate love for familiarity and discovery. The authors also pull particularly interesting recipes, with chapters on sourdough pizzas, corn flour pizzas and more."-Atlanta Journal Constitution

Craig Priebe has been called "a pizza miracle worker" (Chicago magazine) and a "pizza expert" (The Chicago Sun-Times). His cooking has garnered acclaim from National Public Radio, Travel + Leisure, and the Atlanta Journal-Constitution. Dianne Jacob is the author of Will Write for Food. Her work has also appeared in Sunset, The San Francisco Chronicle, and Gastronomica.

Excellent book filled with very fun, innovative recipes - and yummy-looking pictures too! Only buy

this book if you have a lot of time though - the crusts take a minimum of 12 hours and a maximum of 72 to hours to make when you factor in letting the dough rise. I've gotten into the habit of making the pizza dough on a Thursday night and making the actual pizza on Friday or Saturday.

This book is well made physically. Better than most. I wish there was a definitive recipe for Chicago style thin crust but there is only deep dish recipes in here from Chicago. They do have a St. Louis style which is the closest to that. There are many high quality photos but I wish there were more photos. There are a lot of recipes that I wouldn't be sure on trying until I saw a photo. This book is for the average home cook. The recipes are all in volume measurements. If I was able to flip through this beforehand I probably wouldn't have bought it, for all the reasons listed above. Since it was a gift, I will be keeping it and using it to test some techniques.

The gluten free crust is excellent

I ordered this book for my wife, who is the cook at home. I therefore am writing this review mostly as a consumer. It covers the various types of pizza with mouth watering pictures and recipes. The writing is excellent and very interesting. Historical and cultural notes are included, which is useful for "consumers" like myself to gain an appreciation of the various varieties of pizza. The Pizzeria Guide in the book is a bonus! In short, this book is a must for pizza aficionados.

As a professional pizzeria owner, this book is my favorite of the year! I've made at least five of these pies for my customers and they loved them. This book is easy to use, innovative, pizza-specific and upbeat without the pomposity of cookbooks from "know-it-all" chefs. I especially like the way that other small pizzerias across the country are represented here. The corn crust is now my go-to vehicle for all my southwest style pies and I am definitely stealing the Finocchio pizza with this delicious fennel jam as mine! Here's my version of Craig's fabulous Grilled Pear and Bacon Pizza, (I added some Stilton)

I LOVE my pizza book. The recipes for the dough and the sauces are delicious and easy to follow! Our kids love making them every weekend!

We were expecting to have fun making a specialty pizza from every state. This book is not organized that way; in fact many states are not even represented at all.

good book but not as wide a selection as expected

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