Star Recipe Cheese and Tomato Pizzas (Makes 4)

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For the tomato sauce

- 1 celery stick* chopped
- Drizzle of olive oil
- 1 carrot chopped
- 1 onion chopped
- 3tsp of tomato puree
- 2 tins of chopped tomatoes
- 1 bunch of fresh basil torn
- (Allergens: Celery)

For the pizza dough

500g strong flour* with additional amount to flour the surface

- 20g salt
- 20g dried yeast
- 100ml olive oil
- 300ml tepid water
- (Allergens: Gluten)

For the topping

- Handful of mozzarella and cheddar cheese*
- Sprinkle of dried oregano
- (Allergens: Milk)

Method

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For the tomato sauce

1. Sweat the onions, celery and carrots in a drizzle of oil over a medium to high heat until soft.

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- 2. Add the chopped tomatoes and tomato puree and leave to simmer for 30 minutes.
- 3. Finish with fresh basil and season to taste.
- 4. Blend to smooth consistency.

For the pizza dough

- 1. Place the flour, salt, yeast, olive oil and 300ml of the water into a large bowl.
- 2. Gently stir the ingredients with your hand or a wooden spoon until it forms a dough.
- 3. Place olive oil onto a surface and continue to knead for another 5 minutes, until the dough is slightly sticky.
- 4. Place the dough into the bowl and cover with a tea towel.
- 5. Leave to proof until the dough has doubled in size (this takes approximately 45 minutes).
- 6. Preheat oven to 190c.
- 7. Remove the dough from the bowl and divide it into four equal pieces.
- 8. On a floured surface, roll out the dough to a thickness of your choice.
- 9. Transfer all four to a baking tray lined with greaseproof paper.
- 10. Use a ladle to pour on the tomato sauce and use the back of the ladle to spread the tomato sauce evenly on the bases.
- 11. Sprinkle a mixture of mozzarella and cheddar cheese on top of the tomato sauce.

- 12. Add some dried oregano and bake in the oven for 12 minutes.
- 13. Remove and serve hot or cold with salad.

Enjoy 🕹