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**Cuisinart™ Brick Oven Premier**

**BRK-300**

For your safety and continued enjoyment of this product, always read the instruction book carefully before using.

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# IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

When using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed including the following:

1. Read all instructions before using the appliance.
2. Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles.
3. To protect against electrical shock, do not place any part of the Cuisinart™ Brick Oven & Rotisserie in water or other liquid. See instructions for cleaning.
4. This appliance should not be used by or near children, or individuals with certain disabilities.
5. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before cleaning. Allow to cool before cleaning or handling.
6. Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug or after the appliance has malfunctioned or has been dropped or damaged in any way or is not operating properly. Return the brick oven to the store or retailer where purchased for examination or repair.
7. The use of accessory attachments not recommended by Cuisinart may cause injury.
8. Do not use outdoors.
9. Do not let cord hang over the edge of the table or countertop where it could be pulled on inadvertently by children or pets, or touch hot surfaces, which could damage the cord.
10. Do not place brick oven on or near a hot gas or electric burner or in a heated oven.
11. Do not use this brick oven for anything other than its intended purpose.
12. Extreme caution should be exercised when using containers constructed of materials other than metal or glass in the brick oven.
13. To avoid burns, use extreme caution when removing the tray or disposing of hot grease.
14. When not in use, always unplug the unit. Do not store any materials other than manufacturer's recommended accessories in this oven.
15. Do not place any of the following materials in the oven: paper, cardboard, plastic or similar products.
16. Do not cover crumb tray or any part of the oven with metal foil. This will cause overheating of the oven. You can line the baking pan with foil and place it in the bottom back position to catch drips. Be sure to monitor it carefully.
17. Oversize foods, metal foil packages and utensils must not be inserted in the brick oven as they may involve a risk of fire or electric shock.
18. A fire may occur if the brick oven is covered or touching flammable materials such as curtains, draperies and walls when in operation. Do not store any items on top of the appliance when in operation. Do not operate under wall cabinets.
19. Do not clean with metal scouring pads. Pieces can break off the pad and touch electrical parts, involving a risk of electric shock.
20. Do not attempt to dislodge food when the brick oven is plugged into an electrical outlet.
21. Warning: To avoid possibility of fire, NEVER leave the brick oven unattended during use.
22. Use recommended temperature settings for baking and roasting.
23. Do not rest cooking utensils or baking dishes on glass door.
24. Turn the function dial to the off position to turn off brick oven.

## SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

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# FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY

## SPECIAL CORD SET INSTRUCTIONS

A short power supply cord is provided to reduce the risks resulting from becoming entangled in or tripping over a longer cord.

Longer extension cords are available and may be used if care is exercised in their use.

If a long extension cord is used, the marked electrical rating of the extension cord must be at least as great as the electrical rating of the appliance, and the longer cord should be arranged so that it will not drape over the counter top or tabletop where it can be tripped over or pulled on by children.

## NOTICE

This appliance has a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other). As a safety feature, this plug will fit in a polarized outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully in the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician. Do not attempt to defeat this safety feature.

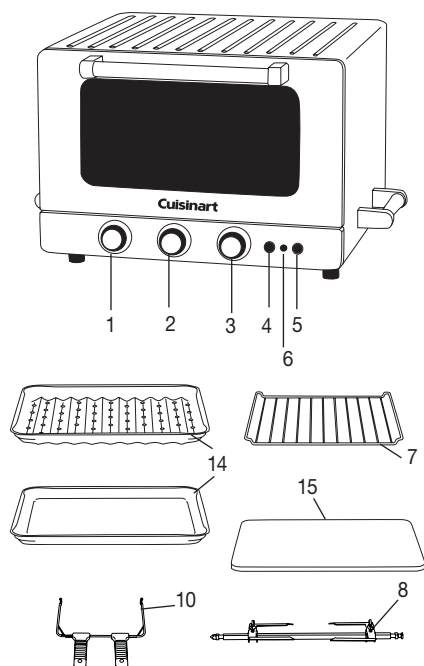
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## INTRODUCTION

Get ready to enjoy all the benefits of a real brick oven right at home! Bread and pizza crusts will be lighter and crispier, chickens will roast to a perfect golden brown, and your pies will be the talk of the town! Cuisinart lets you decide which method to use in cooking family favorites or company cuisine. We've even included some of our favorite brick oven recipes in case you run out of your own. Have fun savoring even *more* of the good life, with Cuisinart!

## PARTS AND FEATURES



### 1. Temperature Dial

Select desired temperature for the baking, broiling, convection bake or rotisserie.

### 2. Function Dial

Select cooking method – Toast, Bake, Broil, Convection Bake or Rotisserie.

### 3. Toast Shade Dial

Select the desired toast shade – light, medium or dark.

### 4. Toasting Start Button

Push button to start toasting.

### 5. Toasting Stop Button

Push button to stop toasting in mid-cycle and shut off oven.

### 6. Oven On Indicator

Indicator light will remain lit when oven is in use.

### 7. Oven Racks (only one is shown)

There are two oven racks and two different levels for each rack. Select the best position for the food

in relation to the heating element.

The top rack has a 50% stop feature so the rack stops halfway out of the oven. It can be removed by lifting the front of the rack and sliding it out.

### 8. Rotisserie Skewers and Rotisserie Fork

The rotisserie skewers are used to secure the food and to place the food into position in the oven to rotate freely for the rotisserie function.

### 9. Rotisserie Sockets (not shown)

The rotisserie sockets are located on the left and right wall in the center of the oven and hold the skewers.

### 10. Rotisserie Lift Handle

Makes removing the hot rotisserie skewers and cooked food safe and easy. Slips into skewer to remove it from sockets and lift it out of oven.

### 11. Slide-out Crumb Tray (not shown)

Slides out from back of the brick oven for easy cleaning.

### 12. Cord Storage (not shown)

Takes up excess cord and keeps countertop neat.

### 13. Easy-Clean Interior (not shown)

To clean the bricks lining the sides of the oven, use a clean, damp cloth. Over time the stone will darken, which is part of its natural seasoning process. It will not affect cooking performance nor taste of food. Where there are no bricks, the walls are coated with a nonstick interior.

### 14. Baking Tray/Drip Tray with Broiling Pan

A baking tray/drip tray is included for your convenience. A broiling pan is also included for use when broiling. The broiling pan has two positions to accommodate a variety of meats, poultry and fish (see Oven Rack Positions, page 5).

### 15. Baking Stone

To achieve best results when baking bread, pizza and pie crusts, a baking stone is included. The stone absorbs excess moisture and distributes heat

evenly while it helps to make the crust light and crispy. It fits on the rack to slide in and out of the oven easily.

## BEFORE THE FIRST USE

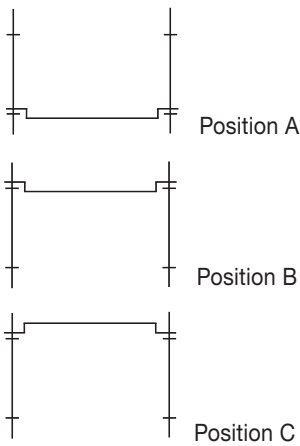
Place your oven on a flat surface.

Before using your oven, move it two to four inches away from the wall and from any objects on the countertop. Do not use on heat-sensitive surface.

**OBJECTS SHOULD NOT BE STORED ON THE TOP OF THE OVEN. IF THEY ARE, REMOVE ALL OBJECTS BEFORE YOU TURN ON YOUR OVEN. THE EXTERIOR WALLS GET VERY HOT WHEN IN USE. KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.**

Unwind the power cord. Check that the crumb tray is in place and that there is nothing in the oven. Plug power cord into the wall outlet.

## OVEN RACK POSITIONS



## GENERAL GUIDELINES

### BAKING

The baking function can be used as you would normally use your kitchen oven for roasting meats, including chicken, or baking cakes, cookies and more.

Your brick oven is equipped with two oven racks and rack positions. The racks can be easily removed and arranged at

various levels. For best results with conventional baking, do not use more than one rack at a time.

To bake, turn the temperature dial to the desired temperature and turn function dial to bake position. Make sure oven rack is in position B – see rack position diagram above. The oven indicator light will turn on. Preheat oven for five to ten minutes (time will vary depending upon desired temperature); then begin to bake.

### Baking Stone

To bake with the baking stone, preheat the oven with the stone for 30 minutes. Use the baking stone when baking bread, pizza dough, pies and tarts; use whenever you want a firm, crispy bottom on your baked goods.

### CONVECTION BAKING

Convection baking/roasting uses a fan to circulate heated air around food as it cooks.

The convection/bake function can be used for all the same functions as conventional bake or roast, but will cook faster and more efficiently. With convection baking the key is the airflow, so it is important to use the right cooking pan and place it in the oven as directed in the rack position diagram.

For best results use cookie sheets with no sides and baking dishes, baking stones and roasting pans with very low sides to let maximum airflow reach food. For the same reason, do not cover foods while cooking.

Most baking recipes recommend reducing temperatures by 25 degrees when using the convection feature. Always check for doneness 10 minutes before suggested cooking time.

For roasting larger items such as poultry or roasts, use the recommended temperature but reduced cooking time. Start checking progress 20 to 30 minutes before end-cook time.

To convection bake: Turn the temperature dial to desired temperature and turn function dial to convection/bake position.

If food might drip, place the baking tray on the rack below the rack that the food

is on. Tray will catch drips and more airflow will reach food.

When using the baking tray in the bottom rack position, center it so air flows in back, as well as front of oven.

### **BROILING**

The broiling function can be used for beef, chicken, pork, fish and more. It also can be used to top-brown casseroles and gratins. Use caution while broiling: Aluminum foil is not recommended for covering the broiling pan when broiling, because it will cover the holes in the drip tray. When broiling fatty foods, grease will accumulate and may cause a fire.

There are two positions for the broiling pan and drip tray to accommodate a variety of thicknesses of foods to be broiled (positions A and B). Also, the oven rack can be turned up or down (position C) depending on the thickness of the food being broiled. In most cases the oven rack should be in the higher position.

To broil, set temperature and function dials to broil. Preheat oven for five minutes with door closed. After the five minute preheat period, place the broiling pan in the oven. Always leave the door ajar when broiling.

**To stop broil operation:** turn function dial to off position.

**NOTE:** Never use glass oven dishes to broil.

### **TOASTING**

For even toasting, always have the rack in rack position B, indicated in the rack position diagram above. Always center your item/items in the middle of the rack.

To toast, make sure the oven rack is in position B as indicated in the diagram on page 5. If toasting two items center them in the middle of the rack. Four items should be evenly spaced – two in front, two in back. Six items – three in front, three in back. Door should be closed.

### **Browning Selection**

Set function dial to toast. Turn toast shade dial to desired browning setting. Press start button to begin toasting.

### **Stop Toasting**

When the toasting cycle is finished, the

oven will beep and turn off. If you wish to stop the toasting cycle before it is finished, simply press the stop button. The toaster oven broiler will cancel your toast cycle.

### **Important Notes on Toasting**

The oven rack must be in position B as indicated in the rack position diagram on page 5.

**WARNING:** Placing the rack in the bottom position or in the top position with the rack upward while toasting may result in a fire. Refer to rack position diagram for proper use.

### **ROTISSERIE**

When using the rotisserie function, it is helpful to line the baking tray with foil and place it in the bottom back position to catch drips. Start the rotisserie in a cold oven.

When using the rotisserie function, items should not exceed 4 lbs.

To ensure even cooking, firmly tie meat and poultry with butcher's twine or string before securing to rotisserie skewers.

For crispy skin, leave door ajar for the last 15 minutes of cooking time.

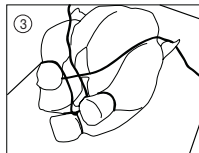
To use the rotisserie function properly, please follow the diagrams below:

### **Trussing a Chicken/Using the Rotisserie**

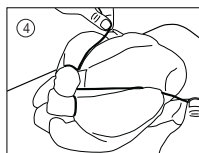
1. Use a string that is about 4 to 5 times the length of the chicken.



2. Place the middle of the string under the tail. Wrap the string around the tail.

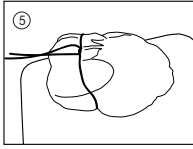


3. Wrap each of the strings around the end of each drumstick.

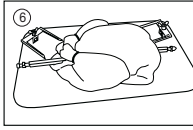


4. Pull to draw the legs together, crossing strings over each other again.

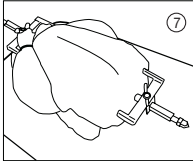
5. Turn the chicken over and tie the string across the wings to hold the wings in place. Trim ends of string if necessary.



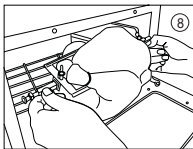
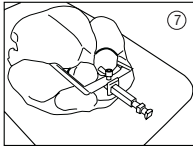
6. Place the rotisserie skewer through the center of the roast or chicken.



7. Insert the rotisserie forks on either side of the roast or chicken and secure with the rotisserie screws to hold the roast or chicken firmly in place.



8. Place the assembled rotisserie in the cold oven. Secure the skewered roast or chicken into the rotisserie sockets.

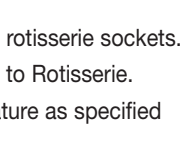
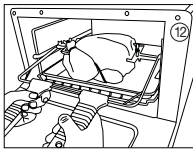


9. Set the function to Rotisserie.

10. Set the temperature as specified in recipe.

11. Cook according to instructions.

12. To remove cooked food: Using the rotisserie lift handle, hook the grips on the skewer and carefully lift food out of the oven. Always use a potholder or oven mitt when removing hot food from oven.



**Note:** The ends of the rotisserie skewers are marked with L for left side and R for right side of oven. Use this as a guide for inserting the assembled rotisserie into the sockets.

### TURNING OFF THE BRICK OVEN

Turn the function dial to off. The indicator light will turn off.

## CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

1. Always allow the oven to cool completely before cleaning.
2. Always unplug the oven from the electrical outlet before cleaning.
3. Do not use abrasive cleansers, as they will damage the finish. Simply wipe the exterior with a clean damp cloth and dry thoroughly. Apply the cleansing agent to a cloth, not to the toaster oven, before cleaning.
4. Where there are no bricks, the walls are coated with a nonstick interior. To clean interior walls, use a damp cloth and a mild liquid soap solution or a spray solution on a sponge. Never use harsh abrasives or corrosive products. These could damage the oven surface. Never use metal scouring pads, etc. on interior of oven. **DO NOT USE A SOAP SOLUTION TO CLEAN THE BRICKS ATTACHED TO THE SIDES.**
5. To remove crumbs, slide out the crumb tray and discard crumbs. Wipe clean and replace. Crumb tray is dishwasher-safe. To remove baked-on grease, soak the tray in hot sudsy water or use nonabrasive cleaners. Never operate the oven without the crumb tray in place.
6. Wire rack, broiling pan and baking/drip tray are dishwasher-safe. If heavily soiled, soak in hot sudsy water or use a nylon scouring pad or nylon brush.

Never wrap the cord around the outside of the oven. Use the cord storage cleats on the back of the oven.

### To clean the baking stone

The baking stone is oven and freezer safe; however, to prevent cracking it, do not subject the stone to extreme temperature variations such as from freezer directly to oven, or from oven to cold water.



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Do not use the stone on an open flame.

Allow the stone to cool before cleaning. To remove baked-on foods, scrape with a wooden or plastic spatula and rinse in warm water. Do not soak or clean in dishwasher or wash with detergent or soapy water; the stone may absorb the taste and smell of the detergent. Let the stone air-dry completely before your next use.

Your baking stone will darken and retain some staining with continued use over time. This is normal and part of the stone's natural seasoning process; it will not affect its cooking performance nor affect the taste of the food.

**Important**

After cooking greasy foods and after your oven has cooled, always clean top interior of oven. If this is done on a regular basis, your oven will perform like new.

All of our recipes have been tested in our kitchen and especially developed to work in the Cuisinart™ Brick Oven Premier. These mouth-watering recipes are just a sampling of what the Cuisinart™ Brick Oven Premier can do.

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## WARRANTY

### LIMITED THREE-YEAR WARRANTY

This warranty is available to consumers only. You are a consumer if you own a Cuisinart™ Brick Oven Premier that was purchased at retail for personal, family or household use. Except as otherwise required under applicable law, this warranty is not available to retailers or other commercial purchasers or owners.

We warrant that your Cuisinart™ Brick Oven Premier will be free of defects in materials and workmanship under normal home use for 3 years from the date of original purchase.

We suggest you complete and return the enclosed product registration card promptly to facilitate verification of the date of original purchase. However, return of the product registration card does not eliminate the need for the consumer to maintain the original proof of purchase in order to obtain the warranty benefits. In the event that you do not have proof of purchase date, the purchase date for purposes of this warranty will be the date of manufacture.

If your Cuisinart™ Brick Oven Premier should prove to be defective within the warranty period, we will repair it, or if we think necessary, replace it. To obtain warranty service, simply call our toll-free number 1-800-726-0190 for additional information from our Customer Service Representatives, or send the defective product to Customer Service at Cuisinart, 150 Milford Road, East Windsor, NJ 08520.

To facilitate the speed and accuracy of your return, please enclose \$10.00 for shipping and handling of the product.

Please pay by check or money order (California residents need only supply proof of purchase and should call 1-800-726-0190 for shipping instructions).

NOTE: For added protection and secure handling of any Cuisinart™ product that is being returned, we recommend you use a traceable, insured delivery service. Cuisinart cannot be held responsible for in-transit damage or for packages that are not delivered to us. Lost and/or damaged products are not covered under warranty. Please be sure to include your return address, daytime phone number, description of the product defect, product model number (located on bottom of product), original date of purchase, and any other information pertinent to the product's return.

Your Cuisinart™ Brick Oven Premier has been manufactured to the strictest specifications and has been designed for use with the authorized accessories and replacement parts.

This warranty expressly excludes any defects or damages caused by accessories, replacement parts, or repair service other than those that have been authorized by Cuisinart.

This warranty does not cover any damage caused by accident, misuse, shipment or other ordinary household use.

This warranty excludes all incidental or consequential damages. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of these damages, so they may not apply to you.

#### CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS ONLY:

California law provides that for In-Warranty Service, California residents have the option of returning a nonconforming product (A) to the store where it was purchased or (B) to another retail store which sells Cuisinart products of the same type.

The retail store shall then, at its discretion, either repair the product, refer the consumer to an independent repair facility, replace the product, or refund the purchase price less the amount directly attributable to the consumer's prior usage of the product. If the above two options do not result in the appropriate relief to the consumer, the consumer may then take the product to an independent repair facility if service or repair can be economically accomplished. Cuisinart and not the consumer will be responsible for the reasonable cost of such service, repair, replacement, or refund for nonconforming products under warranty.

California residents may also, according to their preference, return nonconforming products directly to Cuisinart for repair, or if necessary, replacement, by calling our Consumer Service Center toll-free at 1-800-726-0190.

Cuisinart will be responsible for the cost of the repair, replacement, and shipping and handling for such products under warranty.

#### BEFORE RETURNING YOUR CUISINART® PRODUCT

If you are experiencing problems with your Cuisinart® product, we suggest that you call our Cuisinart® Service Center at 1-800-726-0190 before returning the product to be serviced. If servicing is needed, a Representative can confirm whether the product is under warranty and direct you to the nearest service location.

IMPORTANT: If the nonconforming product is to be serviced by someone other than Cuisinart's Authorized Service Center, please remind the servicer to call our Consumer Service Center at 1-800-726-0190 to ensure that the problem is properly diagnosed, the product is serviced with the correct parts, and the product is still under warranty.

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# RECIPES

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# Banana Pecan Crumb Muffins

These muffins are a great way to use over-ripe bananas.

*Nutritional information per muffin:*  
Calories 364 (50% from fat) • carb. 41g • pro. 5g  
• fat 21g • sat. fat 4g • chol. 47mg • sod. 274mg  
• calc. 42mg • fiber 2g

## Orange-Anise Scones

High in calcium, these scones are a perfect way to jumpstart the day.

Makes 6 large muffins

**cooking spray**

**Crumb topping:**

**¼ cup unbleached, all-purpose flour**  
**3 tablespoons light brown sugar**  
**2 tablespoons unsalted butter, cold and cubed**  
**½ teaspoon ground cinnamon**  
**¼ cup pecans, toasted and chopped**  
**pinch table salt**

**Muffin batter:**

**1 cup unbleached, all-purpose flour**  
**1½ teaspoons baking powder**  
**¼ teaspoon table salt**  
**¼ teaspoon ground cinnamon**  
**1 small, ripe banana, mashed**  
**¼ cup packed light brown sugar**  
**¼ cup whole milk**  
**¼ cup vegetable oil**  
**1 large egg, slightly beaten**  
**¼ cup pecans, toasted and chopped**

Preheat Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 400°F on the bake setting with the rack in position A. Lightly coat a 6-cup regular muffin pan with nonstick cooking spray.

Prepare the crumb topping. In a small bowl, mix the first 6 ingredients together with a fork, and reserve.

In a small bowl, mix the flour, baking powder, salt, and cinnamon; reserve.

In a large bowl, mix the banana, brown sugar, milk, oil and egg using a Cuisinart® Hand Mixer. Mix on medium speed until well blended. Add the flour mixture and nuts and mix with a fork until just mixed. Spoon evenly into prepared muffin cups and top with the reserved crumb topping.

Bake in the preheated oven for about 15 to 20 minutes, or until a cake tester inserted comes out clean. To ensure even color, turn muffin pan halfway through baking.

Makes 8 scones

**2½ cups unbleached, all-purpose flour**  
**4 tablespoons granulated sugar, divided**  
**2 teaspoons baking powder**  
**2 teaspoons freshly ground star anise (4 pods)\***  
**1 teaspoon table salt**  
**1 tablespoon orange zest (1 orange)**  
**6 tablespoons unsalted butter, cold and cubed**  
**¼ cup fresh or frozen blueberries (optional)**  
**⅓ cup buttermilk**  
**1 large egg**  
**2 tablespoons heavy cream**

Preheat the Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 350°F on the bake setting with the rack in position A. Line the baking tray with parchment paper.

Place the flour, 3 tablespoons of sugar, baking powder, star anise, salt, and zest in the work bowl of a Cuisinart® Food Processor fitted with the metal chopping blade. Process 10 seconds. Add the butter to the work bowl and pulse until the mixture resembles coarse crumbs.

Pour the mixture onto a clean counter/large cutting board and add the blueberries. Make a well in the center of the dry mixture. Whisk the buttermilk and egg together and slowly pour the mixture, ¼ at a time, into the well of the dry ingredients. After each addition use a pastry cutter to mix the dough together. Continue to slowly add the liquids to the dough and mix until the mixture is moist, but not a wet dough.

Form the dough into a 10-inch long cylinder. Using a sharp knife, cut into 8 even pieces. Place on prepared baking sheet. Brush each scone with heavy cream and top with the reserved sugar. Bake in preheated oven for

about 20 minutes or until golden brown. To ensure even color, turn baking tray halfway through baking.

Let cool before serving.

\*May substitute allspice if star anise is unavailable.

*Nutritional information per scone:*  
Calories 278 (36% from fat) • carb. 39g • pro. 6g  
• fat 11g • sat. fat 7g • chol. 56mg • sod. 448mg  
• calc. 110mg • fiber 1g

## Buttermilk Blueberry Crumb Cake

Makes one 8-inch cake, or 12 servings

**cooking spray**

**Crumb topping:**

- ½ cup unbleached, all-purpose flour
- ¼ cup packed light brown sugar
- ¼ cup granulated sugar
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 pinch table salt
- ½ teaspoon vanilla extract
- 4 tablespoons unsalted butter, cold and cubed

**Muffin Batter:**

- 1⅓ cups unbleached, all-purpose flour
- ¾ teaspoon baking soda
- ¼ teaspoon table salt
- ⅓ cup unsalted butter, cut into 5 pieces
- ½ cup + 3 tablespoons granulated sugar
- 1 large egg
- ½ teaspoon vanilla extract
- ⅓ cup buttermilk
- 1¼ cups fresh blueberries

Preheat the Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 350°F on the bake setting with the rack in position A. Lightly coat an 8-inch square baking pan with nonstick cooking spray. Reserve.

Combine the first 7 ingredients in the work bowl of a Cuisinart® Food Processor fitted with the metal chopping blade. Pulse 3 to 4 times, until the mixture is just combined. Reserve.

In a small bowl, mix together the flour, baking soda, and salt. Reserve.

Place the butter and sugar in a medium bowl and mix with a Cuisinart® Hand Mixer until light and fluffy, about 1 minute. Add the egg and vanilla and beat until fully combined. Add the reserved dry ingredients, ⅓ at a time, and the buttermilk, ⅓ at a time, alternating the two starting with the buttermilk and ending with the dry ingredients. Pour the batter into the prepared pan. Make a layer of the blueberries on top of the batter, slightly pressing them down. Cover evenly with the reserved crumb topping.

Bake in preheated oven for 50 to 60 minutes, or until a cake tester inserted into the cake comes out clean.

*Nutritional information per serving:*  
Calories 243 (35% from fat) • carb. 37g • pro. 3g  
• fat 10g • sat. fat 6g • chol. 42mg • sod. 182mg  
• calc. 23mg • fiber 1g

## Roasted Eggplant and Sweet Pepper Crostini

Makes 12 crostini

- 4 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil, divided
- 1 small Italian eggplant, about 8 ounces, cut into ½-inch dice
- ½ large red bell pepper (about 3 to 4 ounces), cut into ½-inch dice
- ½ large yellow bell pepper (about 3 to 4 ounces), cut into ½-inch dice
- 2 ounces sweet onion, cut into ½-inch dice
- 3 garlic cloves, divided and smashed
- ½ teaspoon kosher salt
- ¼ teaspoon freshly ground pepper
- 1 tablespoon basil, very thinly sliced (or chiffonade)
- 12 ½-inch slices of rustic Italian bread with a tight crumb

Preheat Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 375°F on bake with rack in position B. Line the baking tray with aluminum foil and coat with 2 teaspoons of olive oil.

Toss the eggplant, red pepper, yellow pepper, onion, and 2 of the garlic cloves in a mixing bowl with 2½ tablespoons of olive oil, salt,

and pepper. Pour out onto prepared baking sheet. Bake for about 40 to 50 minutes, tossing vegetables every 10 to 15 minutes. Vegetables should be very soft and slightly browned.

Once vegetables are done cooking toss with chopped basil in mixing bowl. Taste and adjust seasonings accordingly.

Rub bread slices with remaining garlic clove and brush with remaining olive oil. Toast slices in oven, flipping bread once so that the crostini are an even golden brown on both sides, approximately 3 to 4 minutes per side.

Top crostini with warm eggplant and pepper topping and serve immediately.

Note: Eggplant/pepper mixture can be made ahead and stored in refrigerator tightly sealed. For best results, bring topping to room temperature before serving.

*Nutritional information per 2 crostini:*  
Calories 255 (57% from fat) • carb. 21g • pro. 7g  
• fat 16g • sat. fat 3g • chol. 7mg • sod. 384mg  
• calc. 125mg • fiber 2g

## Spinach, Gorgonzola, & Artichoke Dip

Our French Boule (recipe on page 7) is a perfect match for this delicious dip.

Makes 2 quarts, approximately 32 servings

**cooking spray**  
**2 ounces Parmesan, cut into ½-inch cubes**  
**1 clove garlic**  
**1 ounce shallots**  
**16 ounces cream cheese, room temperature, cut into 1-inch pieces**  
**¼ cup evaporated milk**  
**16 ounces frozen spinach, thawed and dried thoroughly**  
**3 ounces Gorgonzola, crumbled**  
**2 cans (15 ounces each) artichoke hearts, drained and dried thoroughly**  
**½ teaspoon red pepper flakes**

Preheat the Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 375°F on the bake setting with the rack in position A. Lightly coat a 2-quart ceramic soufflé/baking dish with nonstick cooking spray. Reserve.

Assemble a Cuisinart® Food Processor with the metal chopping blade. With the machine running, drop the Parmesan through the feed tube and process until finely chopped; place in small bowl and reserve. With the food processor running, add the garlic and shallot through the feed tube; process until chopped. Add the cream cheese and evaporated milk; process until creamy and smooth. Crumble the spinach over the cream cheese. Add the reserved Gorgonzola and ⅔ of the Parmesan; pulse about 10 times, or until well blended. Scrape the work bowl. Add the reserved artichoke hearts and red pepper flakes; pulse another 10 times.

Transfer the mixture to the prepared dish; sprinkle with the remaining Parmesan. Place in the preheated oven and bake for about 20 to 30 minutes, or until just browned on top and heated through.

*Nutritional information per serving:*  
Calories 61 (56% from fat) • carb. 3g • pro. 4g  
• fat 4g • sat. fat 2g • chol. 9mg • sod. 231mg  
• calc. 86mg • fiber 1g

## Gougères

Although Gruyère is the classic ingredient for gougères, you may substitute your favorite cheese.

Makes one hundred 1-inch gougères

**½ cup water**  
**4 tablespoons unsalted butter**  
**¼ teaspoon fine sea salt or table salt**  
**½ teaspoon sugar**  
**½ cup + 2 tablespoons unbleached, all-purpose flour**  
**2 large eggs, + 2 more if necessary**  
**1 cup Gruyère cheese, shredded and divided**  
**¼ teaspoon fine sea salt or table salt**  
**½ teaspoon black pepper**  
**½ teaspoon cayenne**  
**¼ teaspoon paprika**

Preheat the Cuisinart® Brick Oven to 500°F on the convection bake setting with the baking stone on the bottom rack in position A. Preheat baking stone for at least 30 minutes. Line the baking tray with parchment paper.



Place the water, butter, salt and sugar in a medium saucepan and set over medium heat. Once the mixture comes to a boil, remove from heat and stir in all of the flour. Return to the burner and raise the heat to medium-high. Using a wooden spoon, continuously stir the mixture until it dries out. You will know it is done when the dough leaves a thick hard film on the bottom of the pot.

Remove from heat and put mixture into a medium-large mixing bowl. Beat the dough with a Cuisinart® Hand Mixer on a low speed to release steam and cool. Once the dough has cooled, after about 2 to 3 minutes, start adding the eggs, one at a time, mixing each until fully incorporated before adding the next. The dough is ready when it becomes a pale yellow color, and will drop from the beater in a slow and steady stream. If the dough is too thick, beat the remaining two eggs together and slowly begin to add them with the beaters running. Be sure not to make the dough too runny or it will not hold its shape.

Stir in ½ cup of Gruyère and the spices. Pour the batter into a large pastry bag fitted with a small to medium sized round tip. Pipe the gougère dough into 1-inch rounds, leaving ½ inch around each one on the prepared baking sheet. Top each one with a pinch of the reserved Gruyère. Place the tray on the preheated stone in the oven, and turn the oven off. Let the gougères sit in the oven for 10 minutes. Lower the heat to 300°F and turn the oven back on. Let bake for 20 to 25 minutes, or until the gougères are hollow and nicely browned, and not wet inside. To ensure even color, turn baking sheet halfway through baking.

Serve immediately.

*Nutritional information per serving (five 1-inch gougères):*  
Calories 82 (66% from fat) • carb. 3g • pro. 4g  
• fat 6g • sat. fat 4g • chol. 19mg • sod. 97mg  
• calc. 116mg • fiber 0g

## Asparagus, Mushroom & Fontina Quiche

Great for a Sunday brunch, this quiche will please any crowd.

Makes one 9-inch deep-dish quiche, 8-12 servings

- ½ **recipe pâte brisée dough (page 17)**
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter, or olive oil**
- 1 cup asparagus, cut into ½-inch pieces**
- 1 cup mushrooms, halved and sliced**
- 1¼ cups whole milk**
- 1¼ cups heavy cream**
- 4 large eggs**
- ½ teaspoon table salt**
- ½ teaspoon black pepper**
- 3 ounces fontina**

Preheat Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 350°F on the bake setting fitted with the baking stone on a rack in position A. Preheat stone for at least 30 minutes. Roll out the dough into a 10-inch disc that is about ⅛ inch thick. Fit into an ungreased 9-inch, 1½ quart, ceramic pie baker. Chill in refrigerator for about 20 minutes. Using a fork, prick the dough evenly all over but make sure not to go entirely through the dough. Line the shell with parchment and weigh down with dried beans or rice. Bake in preheated oven for 15 to 20 minutes, or until the dough underneath the parchment is no longer wet. Remove the beans/rice and parchment and continue baking until the shell is golden brown. Remove; cool; reserve.

While the shell is baking, place the butter/olive oil in a skillet over medium heat. Add the asparagus and mushrooms and sauté over medium-high heat for 4 to 5 minutes, or until the asparagus is bright and just softened. Reserve.

In a medium bowl, mix the milk, cream, eggs, salt and pepper. Using a Cuisinart® Hand Mixer fitted with the whisk attachment, whip the mixture on high for 30 seconds to 1 minute. Spread the asparagus and mushrooms evenly on the bottom of the cooled tart shell. Pour in the liquid mixture and top with the fontina.

Bake on the preheated baking stone for 40 to 60 minutes, or until the quiche has browned on top and is just set.

*Nutritional information per serving (based on 12 servings):*  
Calories 300 (77% from fat) • carb. 11g • pro. 7g  
• fat 25g • sat. fat 8g • chol. 115mg • sod. 300mg  
• calc. 101mg • fiber 1g

## Popovers

Pair this easy side dish with our Standing Rib Roast (page 16), using the roast's fat drippings instead of butter.

Makes 6 popovers

- ¾ cup unbleached, all-purpose flour**
- ¾ cup evaporated fat-free milk, or reduced fat milk**
- 2 large eggs**
- 1 tablespoon butter, melted (may substitute with fat from rib roast)**
- ½ teaspoon table salt**

Place all ingredients into a medium-sized bowl. Using a Cuisinart® Hand Mixer, mix on low for about 10 seconds. Increase the speed to high and beat until the batter is smooth. Cover; let sit for 30 to 40 minutes.

Preheat the Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 450°F on the convection bake or bake setting fitted with the baking stone on a rack in position A. Preheat stone for at least 30 minutes. Heavily butter, or coat with nonstick cooking spray, six 5-ounce ramekins. Fill each ramekin with about ½ cup of batter. Place in the oven directly on the stone and bake for 30 minutes. Lower the heat to 350°F and bake an additional 20 minutes. Remove from oven and carefully unmold from ramekins. Serve immediately.

*Nutritional information per popover:*  
Calories 124 (28% from fat) • carb. 16g • pro. 6g  
• fat 4g • sat. fat 2g • chol. 76mg • sod. 170mg  
• calc. 104mg • fiber 0g

## French Boule

Makes 1 large round loaf, approximately 12 servings

- 2½ teaspoons active dry yeast**
- ⅓ cup warm (105°-110°F) water**
- 4 cups unbleached, all-purpose flour**
- 2 teaspoons fine sea salt or table salt**
- 1 cup cold water**
- cornmeal for dusting**

Dissolve yeast in ⅓ cup of warm water. Let stand 3 to 5 minutes, or until mixture is foamy. Add the flour and salt to the work bowl of the Cuisinart® Food Processor fitted with the dough blade. Process for 10 seconds. With the machine running, add the warm water with yeast and then the cold water in a slow stream and process until a dough ball forms. Continue processing for 1 to 2 minutes to knead the dough.

Lightly flour the top of the dough and remove from bowl. Shape it into a smooth ball and place in a lightly floured 1-gallon sealable plastic bag. Squeeze the air out and seal the bag. Let rise in a warm place until it has doubled, about 1 to 1½ hours.

Put the dough on a lightly floured table and punch it down to release air. Let it rest 5 minutes. Shape into a round loaf and place on a cornmeal-dusted baking sheet or peel. Cover lightly with oiled plastic wrap and allow to rise until doubled, about 30 to 40 minutes.

Preheat the Cuisinart® Brick Oven to 400°F on the convection bake or bake setting fitted with the baking stone on a rack in position A. Preheat the baking stone for at least 30 minutes.

Using a serrated knife, cut a cross ¼-inch deep on the top of the loaf.

Bake for 40 to 50 minutes, or until nicely browned and sounds hollow when tapped. Let cool completely before serving.

*Nutritional information per serving*  
(based on 12 servings):  
Calories 153 (3% from fat) • carb. 32g • pro. 5g  
• fat 0g • sat. fat 0g • chol. 0mg • sod. 224mg  
• calc. 7mg • fiber 1g

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## Walnut Rosemary Bread with Raisins

Makes 1 small round loaf, approximately 16 servings

- ½ **teaspoon active dry yeast**
- ½ **cup + 2 tablespoons warm water (105°-110°F)**
- 1¼ **cups unbleached bread flour, plus more for dusting**
- ½ **cup whole wheat flour**
- 2 **tablespoons rye flour**
- 1 **teaspoon fine sea salt or table salt**
- ½ **teaspoon extra-virgin olive oil**
- ¼ **cup golden raisins, or any similar dried fruit**
- ¼ **cup chopped walnuts**
- 1 **tablespoon chopped fresh rosemary**
- cornmeal for dusting**

Dissolve the yeast in the warm water. Let stand 3 to 5 minutes, or until mixture is foamy. Add the flours, salt, and olive oil to the work bowl of the Cuisinart® Food Processor fitted with the dough blade. Process for 10 seconds. With the machine running, slowly add the water and yeast mixture through the feed tube and process until it forms a dough ball. Continue processing for 1 to 2 minutes to knead the dough.

Lightly flour the top of the dough and remove from bowl. Shape it into a smooth ball and place in a lightly floured 1-gallon sealable plastic bag. Squeeze the air out and seal the bag. Let rise in a warm place until it has doubled, about 1 to 1½ hours.

Put the dough on a lightly floured table and punch it down to release air. Let it rest 5 minutes. Stretch the dough into an 8-inch square. Place the raisins and walnuts on top and knead until fully incorporated, 2 to 4 minutes. Shape into a round loaf and place on a cornmeal-dusted baking sheet or peel. Cover lightly with oiled plastic wrap and allow to rise until doubled, about 30 to 40 minutes.

Preheat the Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 450°F on the convection bake or bake setting fitted with the baking stone on a rack in position A. Preheat stone for at

least 30 minutes. Using a serrated knife cut a star, ¼-inch deep, on the top of the loaf. Bake on the preheated stone for 30 minutes. Reduce the temperature to 425°F and continue to bake for an additional 15 to 20 minutes, or until the loaf sounds hollow when tapped and the internal temperature reads 205°F on an instant-read thermometer.

Let bread fully cool before serving.

*Nutritional information per serving:*  
Calories 73 (18% from fat) • carb. 13g • pro. 2g  
• fat 1g • sat. fat 0g • chol. 0mg • sod. 147mg  
• calc. 9mg • fiber 1g

## Pumpernickel Raisin Bread

Makes 1 large loaf, approximately 24 servings

- 2¼ **teaspoons active dry yeast**
- 1¼ **cups warm (105°-110°F) water**
- ¼ **cup molasses**
- 2¾ **cups unbleached bread flour**
- ½ **cup whole wheat flour**
- ½ **cup rye flour**
- ½ **cup cornmeal**
- 2 **tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder**
- 1 **teaspoon instant espresso powder**
- 2 **tablespoons vital wheat gluten**
- 1½ **teaspoons fine sea salt or table salt**
- 2 **tablespoons vegetable oil**
- ¾ **cup raisins**
- 2 **teaspoons caraway seeds**

Dissolve the yeast in the warm water with the molasses. Let stand 3 to 5 minutes, or until mixture is foamy. Add the flours, cornmeal, cocoa and espresso powders, wheat gluten, salt, and vegetable oil to the work bowl of the Cuisinart® Food Processor fitted with the dough blade. Process for 10 seconds. With the machine running, slowly add the water and yeast mixture through the feed tube and process until a dough ball forms. Continue processing for 1 to 2 minutes to knead the dough.

Lightly flour the top of the dough and remove from bowl. Shape it into a smooth ball and place in a 1-gallon sealable plastic

bag. Squeeze the air out and seal the bag. Let rise in a warm place until it has doubled, about 1 to 2 hours.

Put the dough on a lightly floured table and punch it down to release air. Let it rest 5 minutes. Stretch the dough into a large square. Place the raisins and walnuts on top and knead until fully incorporated, 2 to 4 minutes. Shape into a round loaf and place on a cornmeal-dusted baking sheet or peel. Cover lightly with oiled plastic wrap and allow to rise until doubled, about 30 to 40 minutes.

Preheat the Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 350°F on the convection bake or bake setting fitted with the baking stone on a rack in position A. Preheat stone for at least 30 minutes. Using a serrated knife cut a star, ¼-inch deep, on the top of the loaf. Bake for 50 to 60 minutes, until bread sounds hollow when tapped and measures 205°F when tested with an instant-read thermometer. Transfer to a rack to cool.

*Nutritional information per serving:*

Calories 105 (12% from fat) • carb. 21g • pro. 3g  
• fat 1g • sat. fat 0g • chol. 0g • sod. 589  
• calc. 15mg • fiber 1g

for 1 to 2 minutes to knead the dough. Shape it into a smooth ball and place in a 1-gallon sealable plastic bag. Squeeze the air out and seal the bag. Let rise in a warm place until it has doubled, about 45 to 60 minutes.

Preheat the Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 450°F on the convection bake or bake setting fitted with the baking stone on a rack in position A. Preheat the stone for at least 30 minutes. Lightly butter a 10-inch round baking pan. Divide the dough into 16 equal pieces, about 2¼ ounces each. Roll into smooth rounds and arrange in the prepared pan. Cover with plastic wrap and let rise until about doubled, about 30 to 40 minutes. Combine remaining tablespoon of milk and butter and heat until the butter has melted. Just before baking, gently brush the rolls with the butter/milk mixture. Place in preheated oven and bake until golden brown, about 25 to 30 minutes. Remove from pan and let cool on a rack for about 10 minutes for serving.

For a softer roll, brush each with melted butter just after removing from oven.

*Nutritional information per serving (1 roll):*

Calories 209 (38% from fat) • carb. 28g • pro. 5g  
• fat 9g • sat. fat 5g • chol. 34mg • sod. 160mg  
• calc. 23mg • fiber 1g

## Buttery Dinner Rolls

Makes 16 rolls

- ¾ **cup whole milk, plus 1 tablespoon for brushing**
- ½ **cup unsalted butter, plus 2 tablespoons for brushing**
- ¼ **cup granulated sugar**
- 1 **teaspoon fine sea salt, or table salt**
- 2¼ **teaspoons active dry yeast**
- ¼ **cup warm (105°-110°F) water**
- 4¾ **cups unbleached bread flour**
- 1 **large egg**

In a microwave-safe container, scald the milk in the microwave; stir in the ½ cup butter, sugar and salt; reserve.

Dissolve the yeast in the warm water. Let stand 3 to 5 minutes, or until mixture is foamy. Add the flour to the work bowl of the Cuisinart® Food Processor fitted with the dough blade and process for 10 seconds. With the machine running, slowly add the liquids through the feed tube and process until a dough ball forms. Continue processing

## Focaccia Romana

For another version of this Italian staple, throw on some chopped kalamata olives.

Makes 18 servings

- 2½ **teaspoons active dry yeast**
- ⅓ **teaspoon granulated sugar**
- ⅓ **cup warm (105°-110°F) water**
- 4 **cups unbleached, all-purpose flour**
- 3 **teaspoons kosher salt, divided**
- 1 **cup cold water**
- 4 **tablespoons extra virgin olive oil, divided**
- 2 **tablespoons fresh rosemary**

Dissolve the yeast and sugar in the warm water. Let stand 3 to 5 minutes, or until mixture is foamy.

Place flour and 1 teaspoon of salt in the work bowl of a Cuisinart® Food Processor fitted with the dough blade; process 10 seconds to combine. Add cold water and 2 tablespoons of oil to the yeast mixture.

With the machine running, slowly pour the liquid through the feed tube. Process until a dough ball forms. Continue to let the machine run another minute to knead.

Place the dough in a lightly floured sealable plastic bag. Let rise in a warm place until doubled in size, about 45 minutes to 1 hour.

Preheat Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 400°F on the convection bake or bake setting fitted with the baking stone on a rack in position A. Lightly coat the baking sheet with a non-stick cooking spray.

Turn the dough out onto a floured surface. Roll out into a rectangle and then fit onto the prepared pan, stretching the ends of the dough to meet the edges of the baking tray. Using your fingers, make indentations in the dough over the entire surface. Brush the dough with the remaining olive oil, and sprinkle the salt and rosemary to cover. Cover with plastic wrap and let rise until puffy, about 20 minutes

Bake until golden and crisp, about 20 to 25 minutes. Let cool slightly on wire rack.

*Nutritional information per serving:*

*Calories 131 (23% from fat) • carb. 22g • pro. 3g  
• fat 3g • sat. fat 0g • chol. 0mg • sod. 224mg  
• calc. 10mg • fiber 1g*

Making pizza is easy in the Cuisinart™ Brick Oven.

For best results, we recommend baking pizzas and focaccia directly on the baking stone. Always preheat the stone.

We strongly recommend using a pizza peel dusted with cornmeal to place or remove pizza in or out of the brick oven.

If a peel is not available, carefully place the pizza directly on the preheated stone dusted with cornmeal or prepare and bake pizza in the provided baking tray, both methods produce excellent results.

To prepare in baking tray: Roll and stretch dough to desired shape to fit baking tray. Brush with olive oil and top accordingly. Place baking tray directly on preheated stone.

## Pizza Dough

This dough freezes very well.

Makes three 12-inch pizzas – 24 servings

**2¼**    **teaspoons active dry yeast**  
**1**      **teaspoon granulated sugar**  
**½**      **cup warm (105°-110°) water**  
**4**      **cups unbleached, all-purpose flour,**  
          **plus more for dusting**  
**1½**     **teaspoons kosher salt**  
**1**      **tablespoon extra virgin olive oil**  
**1**      **cup cold water**

Dissolve the yeast and sugar in the warm water. Let stand 3 to 5 minutes, or until the mixture gets foamy.

Place the flour, salt and olive oil in the work bowl of a Cuisinart® Food Processor fitted with the dough blade. Pulse about 5 times to mix; scrape down the sides of the bowl.

Add the cold water to the yeast mixture. With the motor running, slowly pour the liquid yeast mixture through the feed tube. Process until a dough ball forms. Continue to let the machine run for an additional minute to knead. Dough will be slightly sticky.

Lightly dust a sealable plastic bag with flour. Dust dough with flour. Place the dough into the floured bag; squeeze out all of the air and seal. Let rise in a warm place for 45 minutes to 1 hour.

*Nutritional information per serving (based on 1 slice  
pizza assuming 8 slices per pie):*

*Calories 228 (9% from fat) • carb. 44g • pro. 7g  
• fat 2g • sat. fat 0g • chol. 0mg • sod. 253mg  
• calc. 12mg • fiber 2g*

## Grape Tomato Margherita Pizza

So easy to prepare – let the kids help  
put on the toppings.

Makes three 12-inch pizzas, or eight  
4-inch pizzas

**1**      **recipe pizza dough**  
**¼**      **cup extra virgin olive oil**  
**2⅓**     **cups grape/cherry tomatoes,**

- halved**  
**½ cup fresh basil, torn into pieces**  
**6 ounces fresh mozzarella, torn into pieces**

Preheat Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 425°F on the convection bake or bake setting fitted with the baking stone on a rack in position A. Preheat stone for at least 30 minutes.

Roll and stretch dough to desired shape to fit baking tray. Brush liberally with olive oil. Place baking tray on top of preheated stone and bake for about 10 minutes, or until dough is lightly golden.

Remove dough from oven. Brush dough with olive oil. Arrange tomatoes and basil evenly around the dough. Top with the mozzarella. Return to preheated oven and bake an additional 15 to 20 minutes, or until desired doneness has been achieved.

*Nutritional information per serving:*  
Calories 355 (32% from fat) • carb. 48mg  
• pro. 12g • fat 13g • sat. fat 3g • chol. 12mg  
• sod. 357mg • calc. 157mg • fiber 2g

## Classic Neapolitan Pizza

Makes one 12-inch pizza

- yellow cornmeal for dusting**  
**⅓ recipe pizza dough**  
**1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil**  
**8 ounces fresh mozzarella, sliced**  
**10 large basil leaves, or about 20 small leaves**  
**¾ cup pizza sauce**

Preheat the Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 425°F on the convection bake or bake setting fitted with the baking stone on a rack in position A. Preheat stone for at least 30 minutes.

Roll out dough on a cornmeal-dusted surface into a 12-inch circle. Brush the outer edge of the dough with olive oil. Lay the mozzarella evenly on the dough, leaving a 1-inch border. Scatter the basil on top of the cheese and then finish with a layer of sauce.

Carefully transfer prepared pizza to the stone in the preheated brick oven (a pizza peel may be helpful). Bake for about 20 minutes, until the dough is nicely browned and the cheese is completely melted. Remove the pizza from the oven. Cut into slices and serve immediately.

*Nutritional information per serving:*  
Calories 176 (45% from fat) • carb. 16g • pro. 8g  
• fat 9g • sat. fat 4g • chol. 22mg • sod. 207mg  
• calc. 155mg • fiber 1g

## Pizza Bianca

A favorite for all cheese lovers.

Makes one 12-inch pizza

- 1½ cups ricotta**  
**2 ounces Parmesan, grated**  
**2 medium cloves garlic, finely chopped**  
**1 pinch kosher or sea salt**  
**½ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper**  
**yellow cornmeal for dusting**  
**⅓ recipe pizza dough**  
**1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil**  
**8 ounces mozzarella, shredded**

Preheat the Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 425°F on the convection bake or bake setting fitted with the baking stone on a rack in position A. Preheat stone for at least 30 minutes.

In a medium-sized bowl, mix the ricotta, Parmesan, garlic, salt and pepper until well combined. Reserve.

Roll out dough on a cornmeal-dusted surface into a 12-inch circle. Brush the outer edge of the dough with olive oil. Spread the ricotta mixture evenly over the dough, leaving a 1-inch border. Top the ricotta with mozzarella.

Carefully transfer the prepared pizza to the stone in the preheated brick oven (a pizza peel may be helpful). Bake for about 20 minutes, or until the dough is nicely browned and the cheese is completely melted and bubbling on top. Carefully remove the pizza from the oven. Cut into slices and serve immediately.

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*Nutritional information per serving:*  
Calories 286 (53% from fat) • carb. 17g • pro. 16g  
• fat 17g • sat. fat 9g • chol. 51mg • sod. 434 mg  
• calc. 346mg • fiber 1g

## Pizza with Italian Sweet Sausage and Garlic Spinach

Makes one 12-inch pizza

- 2**    **teaspoons olive oil**
- 6**    **ounces fresh Italian sweet sausage, casings removed**
- 3 to 4** **cloves garlic, finely chopped**
- 8**    **packed cups fresh spinach, washed and dried**
- ¼**    **teaspoon kosher salt**
- ¼**    **teaspoon crushed red pepper**
- ¼**    **cup dry white wine**
- yellow cornmeal for dusting**
- ⅓**    **recipe pizza dough**
- ½**    **cup pizza sauce**
- 8**    **ounces mozzarella, shredded**
- 1**    **ounce Parmesan, grated**  
      **extra virgin olive oil for brushing**

Heat olive oil in a 12-inch skillet over medium heat. When oil shimmers across the pan add the sausage. Break up sausage into small pieces with a wooden spoon while it is cooking. Once sausage is completely cooked through, remove from pan and reserve.

Pour off all but 1 teaspoon of fat and add the chopped garlic to the pan and place over medium low heat. Stir for one minute, until garlic is fragrant, being careful not to burn. Stir in spinach until wilted and add the salt and crushed red pepper. Stir in the white wine, scraping up any browned bits that have been left behind in the pan. Continue cooking over medium heat until wine has almost completely evaporated. Remove from heat and reserve.

Preheat the Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 425°F on the convection bake or bake setting fitted with the baking stone on a rack in position A. Preheat stone for at least 30 minutes.

Roll out dough on a cornmeal-dusted surface into a 12-inch circle. Pour pizza sauce in the middle of the dough and

spread out over the circle, leaving a 1-inch border. Place reserved sausage and garlic spinach evenly over pie. Scatter mozzarella and Parmesan evenly over pie as well. Brush olive oil along the border.

Carefully transfer the prepared pizza to the stone in the preheated brick oven (a pizza peel may be helpful). Bake until the crust is golden and the cheese is melted, about 15 to 20 minutes. Using the pizza peel, remove the pizza from the oven. Cut into slices and serve immediately.

*Nutritional information per serving:*  
Calories 298 (48% from fat) • carb. 23g • pro. 14g  
• fat 16g • sat. fat 7g • chol. 41mg • sod. 527 mg  
• calc. 259mg • fiber 2g

## Veggie Pizza

Makes one 12-inch pizza

- 2**    **tablespoons olive oil, divided**
- 2**    **large cloves garlic, finely chopped**
- 2**    **cups mixed bell peppers, sliced**
- 1**    **cup mushrooms, sliced**
- 1½**   **tablespoons fresh basil**
- yellow cornmeal for dusting**
- ⅓**    **recipe pizza dough**
- ⅔**    **cup pizza sauce**
- 4**    **ounces mozzarella, shredded**

Preheat the Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 425°F on the convection bake or bake setting fitted with the baking stone on a rack in position A. Preheat stone for at least 30 minutes.

Heat a large sauté pan with 1 tablespoon of olive oil over medium heat. When hot, add the garlic, peppers, mushrooms and basil and cook until peppers are bright and slightly softened.

Roll out dough on a cornmeal-dusted surface into a 12-inch circle. Brush the outer edge of the dough with olive oil. Pour pizza sauce in the middle of the dough and spread out over the circle, leaving a 1-inch border. Evenly scatter mozzarella, and top with vegetables.

Carefully transfer the prepared pizza to the stone in the preheated brick oven (a pizza peel may be helpful). Bake for

about 20 minutes, until crust is nicely browned and cheese has fully melted on top.

Carefully, remove the pizza from the oven. Cut into slices and serve immediately.

*Nutritional information per serving:*  
Calories 161 (41% from fat) • carb. 18g • pro. 7g  
• fat 7g • sat. fat 2g • chol. 11mg • sod. 155mg  
• calc. 86mg • fiber 1g

## Pizza with Sun-dried Tomatoes, Artichokes, Goat Cheese and Fresh Mozzarella

Makes one 12-inch pizza

- 1/3** yellow cornmeal for dusting
- 1/3** recipe whole wheat pizza dough
- 1/3** extra virgin olive oil for brushing
- 2** tablespoons sun-dried tomatoes packed in oil, chopped
- 1** can (15 ounces) artichoke hearts, drained and dried thoroughly and quartered
- 5** basil leaves
- 3** ounces fresh goat cheese (like Montrachet)
- 2** ounces fresh mozzarella, sliced

Preheat the Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 425°F on the convection bake or bake setting fitted with the baking stone on a rack in position A. Preheat stone for at least 30 minutes.

Roll out dough on a cornmeal-dusted surface into a 12-inch circle. Brush the entire surface of the dough with olive oil. Scatter the chopped sun-dried tomatoes and artichoke heart quarters over the surface of the pizza dough, leaving a 1-inch border around the outside. Tear the basil leaves in pieces and scatter over the toppings. Add liberal dollops of goat cheese evenly over the surface of the pizza. Place mozzarella slices evenly over surface of pizza as well.

Carefully transfer the prepared pizza to the stone in the preheated brick oven (a pizza peel may be helpful). Bake for about 20 minutes, until crust is nicely

browned and the cheese has melted. Carefully, remove the pizza from the oven. Cut into slices and serve immediately.

*Nutritional information per serving:*  
Calories 140 (35% from fat) • carb. 17g • pro. 6g  
• fat 5g • sat. fat 3g • chol. 10mg • sod. 273mg  
• calc. 58mg • fiber 2g

## Roasted Asparagus

Asparagus is delicious roasted, plus it is very simple to prepare.

Makes 4 servings

- 1** pound asparagus
- 1** teaspoon olive oil
- 1/4** teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/4** teaspoon crushed black pepper

Preheat Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 425°F on the convection bake or bake setting with rack in position B.

Wash and thoroughly dry asparagus. Trim the rough ends off of the asparagus.

Place asparagus in a mixing bowl and toss with the teaspoon of olive oil, salt and pepper.

Line up asparagus on the baking sheet and bake on the upper rack for 10 to 15 minutes, until the asparagus is tender.

Serve immediately.

*Nutritional information per serving:*  
Calories 36 (28% from fat) • carb. 5g • pro. 3g  
• fat 1g • sat. fat 0g • chol. 0mg • sod. 86mg  
• calc. 24mg • fiber 2g

## Butternut Squash and Potato Gratin

A nice twist to a great traditional side dish.

Makes 6 to 8 servings

- 1** cooking spray
- 1** cup heavy cream
- 2** cloves garlic, crushed and peeled
- 1** branch fresh rosemary
- 4** ounces Gruyère cheese



- ¾ pound butternut squash, peeled**
- 1 pound Yukon Gold potatoes**
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt**
- ½ teaspoon freshly ground pepper**

## Roasted Stuffed Peppers

Makes 4 servings

Lightly coat a Cuisinart® 9½-inch (1¼ quart) Open Oval Baker with cooking spray. Place the baking tray lined with aluminum foil on a rack in position A. Preheat the Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 350°F on the bake setting.

Place the heavy cream, crushed garlic, and rosemary branch in a small saucepan. Bring the cream to almost a boil and reduce the heat to maintain a low simmer. Simmer cream for about 15 to 20 minutes.

Using the shredding disc in the Cuisinart® food processor, shred the Gruyère. Remove and reserve. Insert the medium (4-mm) slicing disc. Slice the butternut squash using medium-hard pressure. Remove and reserve. Slice the potatoes as well using medium pressure.

Arrange a layer of the potatoes in concentric circles in the prepared baking dish followed by a similar layer of the butternut squash. Sprinkle with some salt, a pinch of pepper and some of the Gruyère. Repeat layers of sliced potatoes and squash with seasonings and cheese, finishing with a top layer of neatly arranged butternut squash, seasoned with the remaining cheese scattered on top. If there is any salt left over, stir into the warm cream. Discard the rosemary and garlic and carefully pour the cream over the top of the potatoes. Cover the baker tightly with aluminum foil that has been sprayed with cooking spray and set on the prepared baking tray. Bake for 1 to 1½ hours, until the potatoes are tender when pierced with a knife. Uncover, and broil until browned and bubbly, about 5 to 7 minutes. Remove from the oven and let stand for 10 minutes before serving.

*Nutritional information per serving  
(based on 8 servings):*

*Calories 223 (61% from fat) • carb. 16g • pro. 7g  
• fat 16g • sat. fat 10g • chol. 56mg • sod. 231mg  
• calc. 190mg • fiber 2g*

- 5 medium-large red bell peppers, divided**
- 1 small eggplant, peeled and cut into ½-inch dice**
- 1 cup grape tomatoes**
- 4 cloves garlic**
- 1 teaspoon fine sea salt, or table salt**
- ½ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper**
- 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil**
- 1½ teaspoons dried basil**
- 2 cups couscous, cooked**
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley**
- 1½ cups crumbled feta, divided**

Line the Cuisinart™ Brick Oven's baking tray with foil.

Cut one of the peppers into 1-inch strips. Toss pepper strips, eggplant, tomatoes and garlic in a mixing bowl with salt, pepper, and olive oil. Arrange vegetables in one layer on the prepared baking tray. Place in oven on a rack in position A and turn on the broil function to roast vegetables for about 40 minutes, tossing a few times, or until vegetables are soft and the skin on the peppers begins to peel off. Remove from oven and reserve in a medium-sized bowl.

While the vegetables are roasting, cut the tops off of the remaining peppers, and clean out the seeds. Trim the bottom of the peppers if necessary, so that each one stands evenly on a plate. Place peppers lying down on the baking sheet. Once roasted vegetables are finished, broil peppers in brick oven for about 10 to 15 minutes, until slightly blackened but not too soft.

While the peppers are roasting, toss the reserved vegetables with the basil, couscous, and 1 cup of feta.

Remove peppers from oven and evenly divide the couscous/vegetable mixture among the peppers. Top each stuffed pepper with 2 tablespoons of feta.

Return to brick oven and broil for 10 minutes, or until feta has browned slightly.

Serve immediately.

*Nutritional information per serving:*

Calories 432 (52% from fat) • carb. 36g • pro. 17g  
• fat 25g • sat. fat 14g • chol. 76mg • sod. 1548mg  
• calc. 459mg • fiber 5g

## Herb Roasted Chicken

Serves 4 to 6

- 1 4 to 4½ pound chicken, rinsed and patted dry
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 teaspoon dried basil
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme
- 1 tablespoon fresh chopped rosemary
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1 lemon, cut in half
- 2 cloves garlic, smashed
- butchers twine if using rotisserie function

Make a paste with the olive oil, dried and fresh herbs, salt, and pepper by mixing ingredients together in a small bowl.

Squeeze lemon all over outside and inside chicken. Stuff the chicken with the lemon halves and garlic cloves. Rub the herb paste all over the skin of the chicken.

**For rotisserie:** (3 – 4½ lb. chicken)

Truss the chicken well. Insert the rotisserie skewer through the chicken, securing the forks with the rotisserie screws so that the chicken is stabilized. Secure the rotisserie spit in the oven into the spit support and socket. Turn oven to 400°F and turn to rotisserie setting. Roast for about 1 hour and 15 to 1 hour and 25 minutes, so that when the thigh is pierced the juices run clear. Remove from oven using the rotisserie. To ensure even, crispy skin, turn the function to regular bake when the chicken breasts are facing up for the last 5 to 10 minutes of cook time. Baste the chicken periodically throughout cook time with olive oil or melted butter.

Remove chicken with rotisserie removal grip.

**For roasting:** (3 – 4½ lb. chicken)

Preheat Cuisinart® Brick Oven to 375°F on

convection bake or bake setting with a rack in position A.

Place prepared chicken on baking sheet lined with parchment paper. Roast for 1 hour 15 minutes to 1 hour 25 minutes in preheated oven, until the juices run clear when the thigh is pierced.

*Nutritional information per serving*

*(based on 6 servings):*

Calories 232 • (61% from fat) • carb. 3g • pro. 31g  
• fat 10g • sat. fat 3g • chol. 96mg • sod. 316mg  
• calc. 42mg • fiber 0g

## Hoisin Glazed Cornish Hens

This marinade is very versatile. Try it brushed on salmon or chicken pieces and simply roast in the oven.

Makes 2-4 servings

**Glaze:**

- ½ cup hoisin sauce
- 2 tablespoon honey
- 2 tablespoon soy sauce
- 1 tablespoon fresh ginger, finely chopped
- 2 cloves fresh garlic, finely chopped
- 2 cornish game hens, 1- 1¼ pounds each, rinsed and patted dry

In a mixing bowl stir together the hoisin, honey, soy, ginger, and garlic.

Place the hens in a sealable plastic bag. Pour the marinade into the bag and refrigerate for at least an hour up to overnight.

**For rotisserie:**

Once ready to cook remove hens from bag and place on a clean work surface. Truss both hens well as you would a chicken. Insert the rotisserie skewer through the chicken, securing the forks with the rotisserie screws so that the hens are stabilized. Secure the rotisserie spit in the oven into the spit support and socket. Turn Cuisinart® Brick Oven to 400°F and turn to the rotisserie setting. Roast for 35 to 40 minutes.

Remove hens with rotisserie removal grip.

**For roasting:**

Preheat Brick Oven to 400°F on the

convection bake or bake setting with a rack in position A.

Place hens on the baking tray lined with parchment paper or aluminum foil. Roast for 35 to 45 minutes until juices run clear when thigh is pierced with the tip of a knife.

Serve with steamed rice.

*Nutritional information per serving*

*(based on 4 servings):*

*Calories 408 (35% from fat) • carb. 7g • pro. 57g  
• fat 16g • sat. fat 4g • chol. 178mg  
• sod. 776mg • calc. 37mg*

## Standing Rib Roast

This dish is a real treat. Be sure to serve it with popovers (page 7).

Makes 6 to 10 servings

- 1 5 to 6 pound standing rib roast (2 to 3 ribs), butcher's cut\***
- 3 cloves garlic, peeled**
- 1 tablespoon coarsely ground or cracked black pepper**
- 1 tablespoon kosher or coarse sea salt**
- 2 tablespoons fresh thyme leaves**
- 1 tablespoon fresh rosemary leaves**
- 1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil**
- 2 large onions, roughly chopped**
- 2 large carrots, peeled and roughly chopped**

Remove roast from refrigerator 1 hour before roasting.

Insert the metal chopping blade into the Cuisinart® Food Processor. With the machine running, drop the garlic through the feed tube and process to chop, about 5 seconds. Scrape the work bowl and add the pepper, salt, fresh herbs and olive oil. Process for 10 seconds. Rub this mixture all over the exterior of the meat and let stand. (This may be done ahead and rubbed on the meat. Cover and refrigerate until 1 hour prior to roasting.)

Preheat Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 400°F on convection bake or bake setting with a rack in position A.

Scatter the chopped onion and carrot on the baking sheet lined with aluminum foil. Arrange roast, bone side down, fat side up,

on top of the vegetables on the baking sheet. Roast in preheated oven for 30 minutes and then reduce heat to 350°F and roast for 13 minutes per pound. The total time is about 1 hour 20 minutes to 1 hour and 40 minutes. Internal temperature when checked with a thermometer should be about 120-125°F. Meat will continue to cook as it rests, and the internal temperature will go up another 5 to 10 degrees. Let roast rest at least 10 to 20 minutes before carving.

\*A "butcher's cut" standing rib roast is the easiest to carve. The butcher removes the chine bone and separate the meat from the bones to create a boneless rib roast. Then the meat is tied onto the bone cradle with butcher's twine for roasting. This allows for the flavor from the bones, and keeps the meat moist. Fat should be trimmed to a ¼-inch thickness.

*Nutritional information per serving*

*(based on 10 servings):*

*Calories 560 (75% from fat) • carb. 2g • pro. 32g  
• fat 46g • sat. fat 18g • chol. 123mg  
• sod. 492mg • calc. 33mg • fiber 0g*

## Rack of Lamb with Parmesan and Herb Crust

An impressive special occasion meal.

Serves 2

- 1 rack of lamb, frenched to the bone\*\* (approximately 1.5 pounds)**
- ½ ounce Parmesan cheese**
- 1 tablespoon fresh rosemary leaves**
- ½ tablespoon fresh thyme leaves**
- ½ cup panko (Japanese bread crumbs)**
- 1 teaspoon roasted garlic purée\*\*\***
- ¾ teaspoon kosher salt**
- ½ teaspoon freshly ground pepper**
- 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil**
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard**

Preheat Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 425°F on convection bake or bake setting with a rack in position A. Line the baking tray with aluminum foil.

Insert metal chopping blade in Cuisinart® Food Processor. With the machine running, drop the Parmesan through the feed tube

until finely chopped. Add the rosemary and thyme. Turn machine on for about 30 to 45 seconds until the herbs are finely chopped. Add the garlic purée, salt, pepper, and panko and pulse so that ingredients are incorporated. With the machine running, add the olive oil in a slow stream so that crumb mixture is moistened and comes together somewhat. Reserve.

Apply an even coating of Dijon mustard all over the meat of the lamb. Press the crumb mixture onto the mustard-coated portion of lamb so it adheres evenly on both sides.

Place lamb rack on foil-lined baking tray fat side up. Roast for 15 to 20 minutes. Lamb is medium rare when an instant-read thermometer reads 130°F. Remember, lamb will continue to cook about 5 extra degrees once removed from oven.

Allow lamb to rest 5 minutes before slicing and serving.

\*\* Any butcher can prepare lamb this way.

\*\*\* To roast whole head of garlic: cut top off, drizzle lightly with olive oil and loosely wrap bulb in foil. Place in a 400°F oven for 45 minutes. Once cool, squeeze the roasted cloves out and purée in blender.

*Nutritional information per serving:*

Calories 683 (40% from fat) • carb. 54g • pro. 47g  
• fat 30g • sat. fat 8g • chol. 133mg • sod. 1160mg  
• calc. 194mg • fiber 3g

## Herb Roasted Leg of Lamb

Serves 8 to 12

**2 to 3** cloves garlic

**1** tablespoon fresh rosemary

**2** tablespoons fresh parsley

**1** tablespoon fresh thyme

**½** ounce Parmesan cheese

**½** cup panko (Japanese breadcrumbs)

**¾** teaspoon kosher salt, divided

**¾** teaspoon freshly ground pepper, divided

**2** tablespoons olive oil

**1** small boneless leg of lamb, butterflied, approximately 3½ pounds

Place garlic cloves, rosemary, parsley, and thyme in the workbowl of a Cuisinart® Food

Processor fitted with the metal chopping blade. Pulse until all is finely chopped. Add the Parmesan and pulse again until the cheese is chopped. Pulse in the breadcrumbs and ¼ teaspoon of salt and ¼ teaspoon of pepper. With the machine running, add the olive oil through the feed tube until the mixture comes together.

Lay the lamb cut side up; evenly spread the stuffing over the surface of the lamb. Fold the sides of the lamb in and then roll the lamb. Secure well with butcher's twine and tie in 1 to 2 inch intervals. Salt and pepper the outside of the lamb.

### For rotisserie:

Line the baking tray with aluminum foil and place on a rack in position A.

Insert the rotisserie skewer through the length of the lamb, securing the forks with the rotisserie screws so that the lamb is stabilized. Secure the rotisserie spit in the oven into the spit support and socket. Turn Cuisinart® Brick Oven to 375°F and turn to rotisserie setting.

### For roasting:

Preheat Cuisinart® Brick Oven to 375°F and turn to convection or regular bake setting with rack in position A. Place prepared roast in the preheated oven.

Roast for 45 to 55 minutes until thermometer reads 130°F for medium rare.

*Nutritional information per serving*

*(based on 12 servings):*

Calories 175 (39% from fat) • carb. 8g • pro. 18g  
• fat 7g • sat. fat 2g • chol. 54mg • sod. 156mg  
• calc. 29mg • fiber 0g

## Rosemary Sage Pork Roast

This delicious pork roast is a great and easy main dish for entertaining.

Serves 6 to 10

**1** cup kosher salt

**1** cup granulated sugar

**3** quarts water

**1** 3 to 4 pound pork roast

**3** garlic cloves

**1** tablespoon fresh rosemary

**1** tablespoon fresh sage

**1** tablespoon Dijon mustard

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- 1 **teaspoon kosher salt**
  - 1 **teaspoon freshly ground pepper**
  - 2 **tablespoons extra virgin olive oil**

Dissolve salt and sugar with the water in a large mixing bowl that will fit into your refrigerator. Submerge the roast in the brine solution and refrigerate up to 4 hours.

While roast is soaking, prepare the marinade. Place the metal chopping blade into the Cuisinart® food processor. With the machine running, drop the cloves of garlic through the feed tube and run until finely chopped. Add the fresh rosemary and sage and pulse until chopped. Add the Dijon mustard, salt and pepper. Turn the processor on and with it running, pour the olive oil through the feed tube.

Once the roast has soaked, rinse it well under cold water and dry thoroughly. Sprinkle the roast all over with kosher salt and freshly ground pepper. Slather the marinade all over the roast and let stand at room temperature for ½ hour.

Tie the roast evenly with butcher's twine for even roasting.

**For rotisserie:**

Insert the rotisserie skewer through the pork roast, securing the forks with the rotisserie screws so that the pork is stabilized. Secure the rotisserie spit in the oven into the spit support and socket.

Turn Cuisinart® Brick Oven to 400°F and turn to the rotisserie setting.

Begin checking the roast after 50 minutes with a meat thermometer. The internal temperature for medium is 145°F.

Remove roast with rotisserie removal grip.

Allow roast to rest 5 minutes before carving.

**For roasting:**

Preheat Brick Oven to 400°F and turn to convection bake or regular bake setting with a rack in position A. Place tied roast on baking tray and place in preheated oven.

Begin checking the pork roast at about 50 minutes with a meat thermometer to achieve desired doneness. The internal temperature should be 145°F for medium. Allow to rest 5 minutes before carving.

Whether roasting with regular or convection bake, baste pork throughout cooking time.

*Nutritional information per serving  
(based on 10 servings):  
Calories 389 (46% from fat) • carb. 1g • pro. 50g  
• fat 19g • sat. fat 6g • chol. 143mg • sod. 289mg  
• calc. 51mg • fiber 0g*

## Simply Roasted Salmon and Fennel

Don't let the simple preparation of the salmon fool you – it is really delicious!

Serves 4

- 10 **ounces fennel bulb**
- 2 **teaspoons olive oil, divided**
- ½ **teaspoon kosher salt**
- 1½ **pounds fresh salmon, preferably wild, skin removed (one whole piece or cut into individual fillets)**
- ¼ **teaspoon freshly ground pepper**

Preheat Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 425°F on convection or regular bake setting with a rack in position A. Line the baking tray with parchment paper.

Slice the fennel bulb into ¼-inch lengthwise strips. Toss fennel with 1 teaspoon olive oil and a pinch of salt in a mixing bowl.

Place fennel on prepared baking tray and place into oven. Roast for 10 to 15 minutes, flipping vegetables once half way through roasting time.

While fennel is roasting, prepare the salmon. Rub the remaining olive oil, salt and pepper all over the flesh of the salmon.

Once fennel has roasted, remove, and place salmon on top of fennel.

Switch rack to position B and return to the oven. Roast salmon for an additional 18 to 20 minutes until desired doneness has been achieved.

Serve immediately.

*Nutritional information per serving:  
Calories 223 (61% from fat) • carb. 16g • pro. 7g  
• fat 16g • sat. fat 10g • chol. 56mg • sod. 231mg  
• calc. 190mg • fiber 2g*

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## Pâte Sucrée

Use any leftovers of this sweet dough for simple cookies. Just roll and cut into your favorite shapes.

Makes two 9-inch single tarts/pies, or one double-crust pie

- 2 cups unbleached, all-purpose flour**
- 2 tablespoons granulated sugar**
- ½ teaspoon table salt**
- ¾ cup (12 tablespoons) unsalted butter, room temperature**
- 2 large egg yolks**
- 1 tablespoon cold water**
- 1 teaspoon lemon zest (optional)**
- ½ teaspoon vanilla extract**

In the work bowl of a Cuisinart® Food Processor fitted with the metal chopping blade, process the flour, sugar and salt for 10 seconds. Add the butter and process until combined. With the machine running, add the yolks, one at a time, and process until incorporated. Add the water, zest and vanilla; pulse 3 to 4 times, until combined.

Form dough into 2 flat discs. Wrap in plastic; chill in refrigerator until ready to use.

*Nutritional information per serving:*

*Calories 110 (61% from fat) • carb. 10g • pro. 1g  
• fat 8g • sat. fat 0g • chol. 0mg • sod. 100mg  
• calc. 4mg • fiber 0g*

## Fresh Berry Tart

Use one, or a mix of all four berries, for this delicious summer treat.

Makes one 9-inch tart, 8-12 servings

- ½ recipe Pâte Sucrée**
- 4 ounces bitter/semisweet chocolate, chopped**
- 4 ounces cream cheese, room temperature, cut into 4 pieces**
- ⅓ cup + 1 tablespoon granulated sugar**
- pinch table salt**
- 8 ounces mascarpone, room temperature**
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract or ½ vanilla bean, scraped**
- 1 cup heavy cream**

- 3-4 cups mixed berries (raspberries, strawberries, blueberries, blackberries)**

Preheat Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 350°F on the bake setting fitted with the baking stone on a rack in position A. Preheat stone for at least 30 minutes.

Roll out the sucree dough into a 10-inch disc. Fit into an ungreased tart ring. Chill for about 20 minutes. Using a fork, prick the dough evenly all over but make sure not to go entirely through the dough. Line the shell with parchment and weigh down with dried beans or rice. Bake in preheated oven for about 15 to 20 minutes, or until the dough is dry underneath the parchment. Remove the beans/rice and parchment, and bake the tart shell for an additional 5 to 10 minutes, or until the shell is nicely browned. Remove from oven, cool and reserve.

In a heatproof bowl over a pot of simmering water, melt the chocolate. Pour into reserved tart shell and smooth with a rubber spatula. Chill tart shell in freezer for about 5 minutes, or until hardened. Reserve.

Cream the cream cheese, sugar and salt with a Cuisinart® Hand Mixer until light and fluffy, about 30 seconds. Add the mascarpone and beat until combined. If the mixture is lumpy, beat on high until it is smoothed out. Add the vanilla and mix to combine. Add the heavy cream ⅓ cup at a time, mixing well between additions.

Pour the mascarpone mixture into the prepared shell. Smooth the top, making a small dome in the center, using a small offset spatula. Arrange berries in any desired fashion.

*Nutritional information per serving*

*(based on 12 servings):*

*Calories 330 (63% from fat) • carb. 27g • pro. 5g  
• fat 24g • sat. fat 13g • chol. 78mg • sod. 151 mg  
• calc. 65mg • fiber 3g*

## Pâte Brisée

This versatile dough can be used for sweet or savory treats. Makes two single crust 9-inch tarts/pies, or one double-crust pie

- 2 cups unbleached, all-purpose flour**
- 1 teaspoon table salt**

- ½ **pound unsalted butter, cold and cubed**  
 4 **tablespoons ice water**

Place flour and salt in a Cuisinart® Food Processor fitted with the chopping blade. Process for 10 seconds. Add butter to work bowl and pulse until the mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Pour in water, 1 tablespoon at a time, and pulse until a dough is just forms. Form dough into 2 flat discs; wrap in plastic and refrigerate until ready to use.

*Nutritional information per serving:*  
 Calories 110 (66% from fat) • carb. 8g • pro. 1g  
 • fat 89g • sat. fat 0g • chol. 0mg • sod. 98mg  
 • calc. 4mg • fiber 0g

\*For a sweet Pâte Brisée, follow the same recipe as above except add ¼ cup of granulated sugar to the dry ingredients in the work bowl.

*Nutritional information per serving:*  
 Calories 47 (5% from fat) • carb. 10g • pro. 1g  
 • fat 0g • sat. fat 0g • chol. 0mg • sod. 98mg  
 • calc. 2mg • fiber 0g

## Classic Apple Pie

Makes one 10-inch deep-dish pie, 8-12 servings

- 1 **recipe sweet brisée dough**  
 5 **large apples (Golden Delicious, Ginger Gold, or other similar apples), peeled, cored, halved and very thinly sliced**  
**juice of 2 lemons**  
 1 **teaspoon vanilla extract**  
 ½ **cup granulated sugar**  
 1 **large egg**  
 1 **large egg yolk**  
**pinch table salt**

Preheat Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 350°F on the bake setting fitted with the baking stone on a rack in position A. Roll out ½ of the dough into a 10-inch disc. Fit into an ungreased, 9-inch, 1½-quart ceramic pie shell. Chill in refrigerator for about 20 minutes. Roll out remaining half of dough into a 10-inch disc on a piece of parchment. Cut into ¼ to ½-inch strips. Chill in refrigerator until needed.

In a large bowl, toss the apples, lemon juice, vanilla, and sugar together. Fan the apples in the reserved pie baker in layers.

Make an egg wash by mixing the egg, yolk, and salt together with a fork. Brush on the outer rim of the pie shell. Using reserved brisée strips, weave the strips into a latticework design over the apples. Brush lattice with egg wash. Bake directly on the baking stone in the preheated oven for 40 to 50 minutes, or until the top of the pie is a dark golden brown.

*Nutritional information per serving*  
*(based on 12 servings):*  
 Calories 300 (48% from fat) • carb. 37g • pro. 3g  
 • fat 168g • sat. fat 0g • chol. 35mg • sod. 220mg  
 • calc. 16mg • fiber 1g

## Chocolate Soufflé Cake

This rich cake is best served right out of the oven. Top with freshly whipped cream and sliced strawberries for an elegant addition.

Makes one 10-inch cake, 12-16 servings

- 8 **ounces bittersweet chocolate, chopped**  
 2 **tablespoons unsalted butter, chopped, plus more to dust the cake pan**  
 9 **large eggs, separated**  
 1¼ **cup granulated sugar, divided, plus more to dust cake pan**  
 2 **large egg whites**  
 1 **tablespoon water**  
**pinch table salt**  
 ½ **cup unbleached, all-purpose flour**  
**whipped cream (optional)**  
**fresh strawberries, hulled and sliced (optional)**

Preheat Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 375°F on the convection bake or bake setting with a rack in position A.

Butter a 10 x 3-inch round cake pan. Cut a circle of parchment paper to line the bottom of the pan; butter the parchment; dust entire pan with sugar. Clean the lip of the pan so no butter or sugar is on it. Reserve.

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In a heat-proof bowl over a pot of simmering water, melt the chocolate and butter. Keep warm; reserve.

In a large bowl, mix the egg yolks and  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup of sugar, using a Cuisinart® Hand Mixer fitted with the whisk attachment, until pale and thickened. Whisk in the cooled chocolate mixture. Reserve.

Wash and dry the whisk attachment well and whip all of the egg whites, water and salt until foamy, about 1 to 2 minutes. Slowly add the remaining sugar and whip to a medium-stiff peak, about 3 to 4 minutes.

Stir a very small amount of the egg whites into the chocolate/yolk mixture. Gently fold  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the whites into the lightened chocolate/yolk mixture using a large rubber spatula until the ingredients are incorporated. Sift in the flour and gently fold into mixture. Gently fold in the remaining whites.

Pour into prepared pan and bake in the preheated oven for 35 to 45 minutes until cake has puffed and appears dry, but still soft to the touch.

Turn cake out onto serving plate and remove pan and parchment. Top with whipped cream and strawberries, if desired. Serve immediately.

*Nutritional information per serving*

*(based on 16 servings):*

*Calories 194 (43% from fat) • carb. 25g • pro. 5g  
• fat 10g • sat. fat 5g • chol. 123mg • sod. 43mg  
• calc. 23mg • fiber 1g*

## Mascarpone Lemon Squares

A twist on a classic, these lemon squares will disappear fast!

Makes 16 servings

$\frac{1}{2}$  **cup pine nuts, toasted**  
 $1\frac{1}{4}$  **cups unbleached, all-purpose flour, divided**  
 $\frac{1}{3}$  **cup confectioners' sugar, plus more for finishing**  
**1** **teaspoon salt, divided**  
**2** **teaspoons lemon zest, divided (1 lemon)**  
**4** **large eggs**  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  **cup granulated sugar**  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  **cup freshly squeezed lemon juice**

**(about 3 medium lemons)**

$\frac{1}{2}$  **teaspoon vanilla extract**  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  **teaspoon baking powder**  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  **cup mascarpone, room temperature**

Preheat Cuisinart™ Brick Oven to 350°F on the bake setting with a rack in position A. Coat a 9-inch square baking dish with non-stick cooking spray; line with 2 pieces of parchment, leaving a 1 to 2-inch overhang on each side. Reserve. Lower temperature to 300°F.

Pulse pine nuts in a Cuisinart® Food Processor fitted with the metal chopping blade until ground. Add 1 cup flour, confectioners' sugar,  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt and 1 teaspoon zest. Pulse until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Press into prepared baking dish. Bake in preheated oven for about 20 minutes, or until lightly browned. Remove and reserve. Lower temperature to 300°F.

In a medium bowl, beat eggs with a Cuisinart® Hand Mixer until lightened, about 30 seconds. Add the sugar and beat until light and thickened, another 30 seconds to 1 minute. Add lemon juice, vanilla and remaining zest and mix to incorporate. Add baking powder, remaining salt, and remaining  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup of flour and mix to incorporate. Gently beat in the mascarpone. Pour on top of prepared crust. Bake at 300° for 25 to 30 minutes, or until set.

Dust with confectioners' sugar before cutting into squares and serving.

*Nutritional information per serving:*

*Calories 178 (49% from fat) • carb. 19g • pro. 4g  
• fat 10g • sat. fat 4g • chol. 70mg • sod. 182mg  
• calc. 29mg • fiber 0g*



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