



# Summer Squash Pizza

## Ingredients

- 1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil
- Your favorite pizza dough
- 2 1/2 pounds (about 5 small-medium or 3 large) zucchini or other summer squash, trimmed
- 1 1/2 teaspoons fine sea salt
- 2 cups (8 oz.) coarsely grated gruyere cheese
- 2-3 tablespoons plain breadcrumbs

## Instructions

- Heat your oven to 500°F with a rack in the center. Brush a rimmed half-sheet pan with olive oil. Press the dough across the bottom of the pan. The dough will be thin and imperfect; just try to get it even. If holes form, just pinch them together.
- Grate the squash with a food processor or the large holes of a box grater. In a large bowl, toss together the zucchini and salt. Let stand for 20 to 30 minutes (more, if you have the time), until the zucchini has wilted and released its water. Drain the zucchini in a colander and then use your hands to squeeze out as much water as possible, a fistful at a time. Back in the large bowl (wiped out if still wet), toss the zucchini with the gruyere shreds, being sure to break up any clumps of zucchini. Taste the mixture; it should be seasoned enough from the salt, but you can add more, plus ground pepper or pepper flakes if desired.
- Spread the zucchini mixture over the dough. Sprinkle with the bread crumbs.
- Bake for 20 to 25 minutes, until the topping is golden. Remove from oven, cut into squares and dig in.