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- 1 package fast acting yeast (2 ¼ tsp.)
- 1/2 teaspoon sugar
- ²/₃ cup water
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1/2 teaspoon salt



Directions

- 1. In a large bowl mix ³/₄ cup flour, yeast, sugar, and hot water (130 °F).
- 2. Stir in the oil, 1 ¼ cups flour and salt. Stir the mixture until it forms a dough.
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- Put the dough in an oiled bowl and turn to coat it with the oil. Cover. Let the dough rise 15 to 30 minutes, or until double in bulk, and punch it down.

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- 1. To form the crust, generously flour the work surface. Flour your hands and scrape the dough from the bowl. Sprinkle a little flour over the dough.
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- 4. Spread pizza sauce evenly over the surface of the crust.
- 5. Layer 2 cups of shredded cheese over the sauce, creating an evenly distributed bed of cheese on which to arrange your toppings.
- Add toppings (use suggestions from list provided, or add your own). Naturally, the more kinds of toppings you use, the smaller the quantities of each you will want to add to the pizza.
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