Tucson's Best Pizza Places

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It shouldn't be a challenge to find a slice of pizza in tune with your sensibilities. See how your favorite Tucson pizzerias compare, whether it's enjoying a home-style slice in a familial restaurant, sharing an artisan pizza on a romantic date or ordering a traditional pie with a pitcher of beer among good friends.

Pizzeria Vivace



For top chef, Daniel Scordato, pizza is beyond sauce, cheese and homemade dough; it is an artisan and hand-crafted innovation, designed strategically for your taste buds. And where fine ingredients meet detailed sophistication is Pizzeria Vivace. Pair you and your date's favorite red wine with pizzas topped with sausage and roasted cipollini onions or prosciutto, arugula and fresh tomatoes. You'll find that enjoying the intimate atmosphere and pleasuring your palate is what visiting a gourmet pizzeria should be all about. **Pizzeria Vivace. 520.529.2700.** www.pizzeriavivace.com.

Mama's Famous Pizza and Heros



Looking to sink your teeth into a pizza that has New York City roots and the added warm touch of family tradition and home cookin'? Then come to Mama's Famous Pizza and Heros. Or Mama will come to you, if you chose to take out. If that is so, hearty, fresh sandwiches and the sweet aromas of mouthwatering, doughy homemade pizza slices will transform your abode into a true Italian eatery. The secret to Mama's is heart and authenticity, and as featured in the highly recognized Pizza Today magazine, Mama's knows what it takes to get a good meal right. **Mama's Famous Pizza and Heros, 520.297.3993**, http://www.mamasfamous.com.

Frog & Firkin



The Ferret Firkin. The Goose Firkin. The Pheasant Firkin. Don't be fooled by these menu items because hidden beyond their quirky names bakes the heart and soul of pizza perfection. Choose from these Firkin pizza recipes that include favorite traditional Italian ingredients like fresh garlic, feta cheese, red sauce and any meat you love. The Frog & Firkin English Pub, nestled near University of Arizona's campus, is the relaxed hotspot to kick back, where limitless varieties of beers are ever-flowing and Fuzzock Firkin pizza pies are shared during good times. **Frog & Firkin. 520.623.7507.** www.frogandfirkin.com.

Eclectic Pizza



Expand your pizza preferences and enjoy an original and green-friendly take on the timeless food. At the service of local and quaint Eclectic Pizza, taste and health expectations are satisfied on all levels. Subs stuffed with meatballs made of beef from the local Double Check Ranch in Tucson and plates bountiful of organic salad greens tossed with avocado and roasted cashews are what bring hungry visitors back. Take special note that Eclectic Pizza features gluten-free pizza, which keeps healthful regulars rejoicing in Italian and living-well glory. **Eclectic Pizza. 520.886.0484.** www.eclecticpizza.com.

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Brooklyn Pizza Company is the tasty Tucson stop for an irresistible craving after a night out on the town or during a mid-day lunch escape from the office. It's the hustle and bustle and casual environment, fumed with the savory smells of sauce, garlic and bread, that inundate you with the drug of food. Garlic knots, slices of the one-size fits all, hand-tossed 16-inch pizzas and a mandatory scoop of homemade Pistachio Pocolatte leave you without much room but all worth the while.

Brooklyn Pizza Company, 520.622.6868, www.brooklynpizzacompany.com.