## **Stuffed Pizza Burger**

- Prep Time: 15 minutes
- Cook Time: 40 minutes
- Total Time: 55 minutes
- Servings: 4



## **Ingredients:**

- 4 Specially Selected Brioche Buns or L'oven Fresh Hamburger Buns
- 2 tablespoons Countryside Creamery Unsalted Butter, softened
- 1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons Reggano Parmesan Cheese, divided
- 1/4 teaspoon Stonemill Garlic Powder
- 8 ounces Emporium Selection Fresh Mozzarella
- 1 pound Simply Nature Organic 100% Grass Fed Ground Beef
- 1 teaspoon Stonemill Oregano
- 1/2 cup plus 2 tablespoons chopped Mama Cozzi's Pizza Kitchen Sliced Pepperoni, divided
- 1/4 teaspoon ground Stonemill Sea Salt Grinder
- 1/4 teaspoon ground Stonemill Peppercorn Grinder
- 1/2 cup Simply Nature Organic Marinara Sauce, divided

## **Directions:**

- 1. Preheat oven to 400°. Preheat grill on high.
- 2. Open buns, spread the cut side of each half with butter. Sprinkle evenly with 2 tablespoons parmesan cheese and garlic powder. Toast in the oven for 5 minutes or until golden brown. Remove from oven and set aside.
- 3. Cut four 1/4-inch slices from the mozzarella ball. Break the remaining cheese into smaller pieces. Reserve.
- 4. In a large bowl, combine ground beef, oregano, remaining 1/4 cup parmesan cheese, 1/2 cup pepperoni, salt, pepper and 1/4 cup of marinara sauce. Mix until well combined; divide into 8 portions.
- 5. Form into patties, top 4 with a slice of mozzarella cheese. Cover with remaining patties and pinch edges together until all seams are closed. Shape into a uniform round patty.
- 6. Grill patties for 7 minutes on each side. Remove from grill and place on a baking sheet. Finish cooking in the oven for 10-15 minutes or until internal temperature reaches at least 130°. Top each patty with remaining marinara sauce, mozzarella cheese and pepperoni. Return to oven and bake until cheese is melted.
- 7. Remove from oven, serve on toasted buns.

## TIP: Along with the cheese and pepperoni, try topping the burgers with more great pizza toppings such as bell peppers, mushrooms or onions.

