



Italian Sausage Stromboli

with spinach-mozzarella filling and marinara dipping sauce

Olive Oil Salt Baking Sheet Medium Non-Stick Pan Small Pan Mixing Bowl

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BEFORE YOU COOK

- ☐ Take a minute to read through the recipe before you start-we promise it will be time well spent!
- ☐ Preheat oven to **375 degrees**
- ☐ Thoroughly rinse produce and pat dry
- ☐ Prepare a baking sheet with foil

WHILE YOU COOK

- ☐ Spice Alert! Pepperoncini are pickled peppers that pack a little punch. Wash hands after prepping and use to taste.
- Dough may be quite shaggy at first. Don't worry! Keep kneading and it will turn into a smooth elastic ball.
- ☐ **Heads Up! Sauce** is used three times. It layers bottom of stromboli, tops filling, and is used for dipping.



Dust your work surface, rolling pin, and hands with reserved bench flour to keep dough from sticking when being rolled out.

Did vou know...

Stromboli is an Italian turnover with meat, vegetables, cheese, and sauce. Very similar to a calzone. a stromboli is distinguished by its shape. While a calzone is usually half-moon shaped (like a pizza folded in half), stromboli are rectangular and often rolled like a jelly roll.



Prepare the Ingredients

Coarsely chop **spinach**. Stem and coarsely chop parsley. Mince garlic. Slice pepperoncini into 1/4" rounds. On a separate cutting board, remove Italian sausage from casing.



Brown Sausage and Make Dough

Heat a medium non-stick pan over medium heat. Add Italian sausage to hot pan and cook until meat is browned and no pink remains, 6-7 minutes. Set aside. Measure out ¼ cup self-rising flour and set aside. This "bench flour" is used to prevent dough from sticking. Reserve for dusting work surface, hands, and rolling pin. Stir together remaining flour, Greek yogurt, 1 Tbsp. olive oil, and ½ tsp. salt in a large mixing bowl.



Knead the Dough

Dust a clean work surface with reserved bench flour. Turn dough out of bowl onto dusted surface and knead, folding dough over on itself and pressing down with heel of your hand, 5 minutes. Don't worry if dough is shaggy at first; keep kneading and it will turn into a smooth elastic ball. Once dough is smooth, divide into two equal balls. Using a rolling pin or bottle, roll dough into two 6"x10" rectangles, dusting surface and dough with bench flour.



Begin Assembling the Stromboli

Transfer rolled dough rectangles to baking sheet. We recommend rolling dough onto your rolling pin and unrolling onto baking sheet or gently folding dough, transferring, and unfolding. Leaving 2" exposed on ends, add 2 Tbsp. sauce to each rectangle. Divide sausage, spinach, mozzarella, and pepperoncini (to taste) between each dough rectangle. Top each with another 2 Tbsp. sauce (reserve remaining for dipping).



Finish Assembling and Bake Stromboli

Cut slits on long edges of **dough** 1" apart and 1 ½" deep to form strips. Fold top edge over filling. Then, starting at the top, fold each strip towards center to cover filling, alternating left and right (like a braid). Tuck ends up and under before last "braid." Bake 15 minutes. Place a small pan over medium heat. Add butter and garlic and melt butter completely, 1-2 minutes. Remove stromboli from oven, brush with garlic butter, and bake until browned, 8-10 minutes. Rest at least 5 minutes before serving.



Plate the Dish

If desired, slice **stromboli** into 1" slices, or dig in with a knife and fork. Place any remaining sauce in a small dish for dipping. (We prefer it warmed, either in a small pan or 15 seconds in a microwave.) Garnish stromboli with parsley.

