

THE BOSTON SLICE INDEX

NAME / ADDRESS	PRICE	TEMP.	CRUST	SAUCE	CHEESE	GREASE	EXTRAS	PROS	CONS
HI-FI PIZZA 496 Mass. Ave., Central Sq., Cambridge. 617.492.4600	\$1.90	warmed for a minute	decently doughy ends; rest is flaccid, gross	can see it (red!), but can't taste it	congealed nasti- ness, government cheese?	the only distin- guishable flavor	makes us feel bad about ourselves afterwards	open late, beer on tap, stumbly- people-watching	tastes like ass, even when drunk—which is saying something.
IL PANINO EXPRESS 1001 Mass. Ave., Cambridge. 617.547.5818	\$1.94	pipin hot	very thin, disinte- grates in mouth	undetectable taste, very bland	chewy, laid on thick	oozed through paper within minutes	wrapped in bag <i>and</i> 2 paper plates	generously- sized slices	somewhat taste- less, a bit too greasy
INBOUND PIZZA 1232 Comm. Ave., Allston. 617.566.1617	\$2	pretty steamy (whole place is hot as hell)	really thin, chewy without a snap	light	light	lackluster, left us wanting	to-go slices are wrapped + taped to lock in warmth	open late, they're sticklers for recycling	fine location for pushy drunks and rowdiness
LITTLE STEVE'S 114 Boylston St., Boston. 617.266.5576	\$2	warm (heated upon order- ing)	good crunch, doughy and deli- cious ends	eh.	tasty, on the thin side	a lot, considering sparse cheese	not really a daytime spot	open 'til 3am! awesome peo- ple-watching at wee hours	cheese shaker chained to the counter
NEW YORK PIZZA 224 Tremont St., Theater District, Boston. 617.482.3459	\$2.25	hot (heated upon order- ing)	thin, crunchy, craveable	tomato paste-y, on thin side	standard	not too much	staff a bit moody; per- haps pining for students?	excellent snack for students and theater-goers	unceremoniously handled slice bare-handed
NICOLE'S 639 Tremont St., South End, Boston. 617.266.0223	\$1.60	pipin hot, needs a cooling minute	knife-and-fork floppy, crispy edges	ample, pleas- ant, generously applied	goeey, stringy, salty mess o' mozz	no more than tra- dition dictates	specialties in- clude sausage submerged in cheese	cruisey sidewalk patio, beer/wine for sale	nosy South End dogs keep eyeing your food
PAPA'S 49 Mount Auburn St., Harvard Sq., Cam- bridge. 617.497.4849	\$2.36	amicably warm	toasty brown, per- fectly chewy ends	perfunctory red stuff	thick, greasy, hearty	considerable but forgivable	subs, sand- wiches, Sox on the plasma	ginormous slices, cheery service, credit cards ok	not nearly as lovably sketchy as old bastion Tommy's
PINOCCHIO'S 74 Winthrop St., Har- vard Sq., Cambridge. 617.876.4897	\$2	oven- warmed with ef- ficiency	crunchy, blistered, addictive	sweet, tangy, supportive	plentiful, flavorful, textural	worthily blotwor- thy	dreams are made of toma- to and basil Sicilian	open late, ban- tering servers, mermaid mural	damn easy con- tribution to the freshman fifteen
PIZZANINI 60 Washington St., Brighton. 617.277.8277	\$2	let this hot- tie cool off	thin but firm, noticeable lack of sag	quite saucy	nickel-sized craters in funny places	sandpaper crust keeps all the grease on the slice	discreet B-line location is expedient	you can get a Slurpee at the nearby 7-Eleven	extra-crispy due to an over-eager oven
PIZZERIA REGINA 11 1/2 Thacher St., North End, Boston. 617.227.0765	\$2.93	very, very hot	crunchy, crumbly, delicate, delicious	juicy and tangy: mmmm	actual mozzarella, goeey, stringy	surface is oily, but too tasty to care	spices at counter, TV while-u-wait	amazing pizza in great ambi- ence, an eat-in counter	slices only served at lunch, gone after 2pm
SUPREME PIZZA 177 Mass. Ave., Boston. 617.247.8252	\$1.75	oven-fresh, burnt my tongue	thin, dry, dusty	very little	not overabundant, didn't leak every- where	orange, wet, soak- ing the paper plate	six pepperoni!	jukebox, slice didn't fall apart, currently hiring	folded in half like wet cardboard
T. ANTHONY'S 1016 Comm. Ave., Boston. 617.734.7708	\$1.80	pleasingly warm	flirting with undercooked but never going all the way	bit watery, more tomato-like than tomato	delicious, volatile, ready to fall off	definitely wading, if not exactly swimming	25¢ per top- ping (i.e., all the anchovies you can eat)	when drunk and hungry, this shit's cheese- covered gold	tough being objective when you can barely swallow
UPPER CRUST 222 Newbury St., Boston. 617.262.0090	\$3	lukewarm	thin, crispy, bit of char on bottom	sweetish, takes a backseat	a bit bubbly, more solid than goeey	not pooling, but definitely present	check out the slice o' day	enormous slice is studded with little crunchy bits of garlic	relatively pricey, restrained appli- cation of heart- stopping meats