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One of the many pizzas available at Urban Crust in Plano.

Following are reviews of area restaurants from GuideLive.com and contributors to urbanspoon.com. Find more dining listings and reviews each Friday in the Guide section of The Dallas Morning News, or online at [guidelive.com/restaurants](http://guidelive.com/restaurants) and [urbanspoon.com](http://urbanspoon.com).

## Guide

### Urban Crust

★★★★☆

1006 E. 15th St., Plano  
972-509-1400  
[www.urbancrust.com](http://www.urbancrust.com)

**Average meal price:** \$15 to \$30 (appetizers and salads \$4.90 to \$10.90, pizzas and entrees \$7.90 to \$18.90, desserts \$4.90 to \$7.40)

**Guide Review:** To me, the words pizza and Plano don't automatically go together. But Urban Crust may change my mind. This restaurant in Plano's historic downtown is turning out some creditable pies, thanks to the large custom-

made oven that is its primary cooking implement and the centerpiece of its first-floor decor.

Pies range from the classic, such as the marguerites (tomato sauce, Italian buffalo mozzarella, fresh tomato and basil) to the elaborate and a bit odd, like the Urban Amore (fig preserves, prosciutto, Texas goat cheese and balsamic vinegar). You can also order one with tomato sauce and house-made mozzarella, and customize it with some two dozen toppings. — 11/11/2009

**Service:** Bouncy and casual. No reservations, so expect lengthy waits for Friday and Saturday dinners.

**Hours:** 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. daily  
**Payment Information:** All major credit cards accepted.

**More Information:** Full bar, wheelchair accessible (including elevator to rooftop bar), no smoking area.

**Full review** at <http://tinyurl.com/dmnurbancrust>.

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### Andrea's Pizza

6803 Preston Road, Suite 112  
Frisco, 214-705-9279  
[www.andreas-pizza.com](http://www.andreas-pizza.com)  
**urbanspoon.com:**  
57 contributor votes

75 percent "like it"  
**Average meal price:** Under \$10 per entree  
**Contributor review:** Awesome pizza! Get the thin crust pepperoni if you like Boston-style pizza. The pasta is really good, too. And they serve gyros. — Jenn Hancock (8/11/2009)

### BURGER DOCTOR

#### Ye Ole Butcher Shop

811 E. 15th St., Plano, 972-423-1848

The meat was absolutely the best-tasting meat I have tried. I was surprised that even after several bites, I was unable to pinpoint what made the meat taste so darn good. For now I will just say that they do or add something to the meat that makes it so great. I will make it my mission in life to find out what the mystery is. It was truly magical.

— Follow Carsten Howitz's quest to find the ultimate local burger joint on [neighborsgo.com/blog/burgerdoctor](http://neighborsgo.com/blog/burgerdoctor).

# AsiaFest attracts record crowd

AsiaFest, an annual cultural event in Plano, drew in a record crowd of about 9,500 Saturday, shattering the 2008 record of 6,500.

The event consisted of dances, music, martial arts and food. Contributor Murli Melwani, who is also one of the event organizers, said several food vendors ran out of food by 2 p.m., just half way through the event.

Plano City Council member Sally Magnuson told Melwani she looks forward to the event each year.

"This event gets better every year," she wrote in an e-mail.

— Saerom Yoo, [syoo@neighborsgo.com](mailto:syoo@neighborsgo.com)



Photos submitted by MURLI MELWANI

Xiao Liu (front) and Fangxuan Chen of Jiaping Shi Dance School in Plano perform Chinese dance.

## MORE INFO

**15.8 percent** of Plano residents are of Asian descent

**20.7 percent** of the Plano ISD student population is Asian

**Asians are** the largest ethnic minority in Plano and second largest in Collin County behind Hispanics

**Asians are** the fastest growing ethnic group in Plano and Collin County  
*Source: Stephen Sims, city of Plano senior planner*



Stinson Elementary children prepare to perform the Vietnamese dance called "Em Be Que."



Students of Mathews Elementary School get ready to perform a Chinese folk dance called the Fengyang Flower Drum.



Jason Lee of Sun Lee Texas Taekwondo Center in Richardson demonstrates martial arts.