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A pizza pan (10) receives and bakes a pizza to produce a hearth-baked texture and appearance. The pizza pan (10) comprises a base (13) with a plurality of perforations (43, 48) therethrough, the perforations being disposed in first and second perforation regions (40, 45). The perforation density in the first region (45), disposed toward the center of the pan, is greater than the perforation density of the second region (40), disposed toward the outside of the pan, to allow greater transmission of heat to the center of the pizza. A continuous, non-perforated rim (15) extends circumferentially around the base of the pan to form an obtuse angle of intersection therewith.

