The Perfect, Classic French Picnic

A perfect, classic picnic evokes images of a sunny, breezy day in a grassy meadow or park. Here's what it might include:

Setting

A cozy, shaded spot under a tree, or a blanket laid out in a field with a view of rolling hills or a serene lake.

Essentials

A wicker basket, gingham blanket, and reusable tableware.

Food

Finger sandwiches, fresh fruit (like strawberries or watermelon), cheese and crackers, a crusty baguette, a selection of cured meats, a pasta salad, and homemade lemonade or chilled wine. For dessert, cookies or a slice of pie. Basically, like any French meal, the quintessential picnic has several essential parts:

the apéritif, which may or may not involve drinks the main courses, whose content we'll examine below dessert (I'll include cheese in this one). Try an easy French recipe for clafoutis, the baked fruit dish. all accompanied by a baguette or two, of course! You can prepare all these yourself, or, this being France, you can pick up part of the food at the local market or from a traiteur, the French equivalent of a delicatessen.

Picnic Resources

Nice, France

Traiteurs & Delivery

Voici quelques options de traiteurs à Nice qui proposent des services de picnic

- **Allopicnic - Allo Picnic** : Ce traiteur propose des paniers repas pour les groupes, avec des options de fromages, charcuterie, pains, fruits, et plus encore. Ils livrent dans la région de Nice et ses environs. (Pas de présence physique à Nice, mais livraison possible)
- **LEBONPICNIC** : Ce traiteur vise à éveiller les consciences et les papilles des voyageurs avec

des offres de picnic responsables et authentiques, valorisant le patrimoine culturel et la production locale de chaque région de France. Ils proposent des menus variés et des choix de produits locaux. (Pas de présence physique à Nice, mais livraison possible)
- **Le Kineret** : Ce traiteur cacher à Nice propose des plats de *chabbat* et d'autres spécialités pour les événements, ainsi qu'un restaurant tous les midis. Ils ont une longue expérience dans la région et proposent des options de pains fait maison et pâtisseries gourmandes.

Fresh Markets

Epiceries & Deli

- **Deli Bo** (5 Rue Fodéré, 06300 Nice) A popular deli and pâtisserie with a wide range of sweet and savory treats, including artisanal chocolates and custom-made cakes.

Offers online ordering and delivery.

- **Le Traiteur du Port** (43 Boulevard Stalingrad, 06000 Nice) A well-reviewed traiteur (catering service, suited for groups) specializing in Lebanese cuisine, offering a variety of dishes for events and receptions. Located in the heart of Nice, with online ordering and delivery options.
- **La Rôtisserie (16 Boulevard Gambetta, 06000 Nice)** A cozy rotisserie serving a range of traditional French dishes, including roasted meats and vegetables. Offers online ordering and delivery, as well as a take-out service.
- **Tout & Bon** (multiple locations in Nice) A reputable traiteur and epicerie offering a wide range of gourmet products, including organic and gluten-free options. Provides catering services for events and receptions, with online ordering and delivery options.
- **Le Fée Maison Traiteur** Delivery. A traiteur and pâtisserie offering custom-made cakes and pastries, as well as catering services for events.

References

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