Fun Facts About Food Served at the 2019 World Scout Jamboree

Feeding the more than 45,000 Scouts and leaders from over 150 countries attending the 2019 World Scout Jamboree takes a massive effort, requiring a wide range of food choices across a host of international cuisines. That challenge is taken up by the Jamboree Food Team, who will prepare and serve over 1.5 million meals during the event.

Here are a few fun facts about what’s on the menu:

**Bread, the staple of life.** Scouts will scarf down 774,345 (3/4 of a million) pieces of bread, including white & wheat sliced bread, bagels, English muffins, pita, tortillas, hot dog and hamburger buns.

**Cereal, a breakfast staple.** This favorite morning meal will include 190,000 boxes of cereal along with 19,000 half gallons of milk.

**Rice is nice.** Worldwide, rice is a common food for both breakfast and dinner and the Jamboree is ready, stocking both Jasmine and white. In fact, hungry scouts will consume a total of over 39,000 pounds which is almost 20 tons of rice or a mere 1.1 billion grains of rice (at 29,000 grains per pound)! Oh, and speaking of rice, let’s not forget the always popular Rice Krispy Treats – all 92,000 of them.

**Eggcellent eggs.** In total Jamboree will serve 415,120 including egg patties and liquid eggs. Given that an average chicken lays about 250 eggs a year, it would take over 1,650 hens a year to lay that many!

**Cheese, a lot of it!** Scouts will consume 3 tons of American cheese slices, and one ton each of Goat Cheese and Brie.

**Tasty tomatoes.** You’d find 98,000 tomatoes in our troop food markets, and even more when you add in the staff dining halls too. That’s also not counting the 4,476 1-gallon cans of marinara sauce, a Jamboree favorite!

**Fresh veggies of all varieties.** Of the many veggies served at the World Scout Jamboree, the largest number of a single veggie is the onion, 15,000 of them!

**Let’s do lunch.** With 45,000 scouts on the go, the Jamboree team needed a steady supply of staples to keep them fed. Good thing that Troop Food Markets will offer over 1.1 million to pick from!

**Favorite fruit.** Last but certainly not least is the leading fruit – can you guess? The apple is the winner and appears in many ways:

- Fresh apples – 120,000 of them;
- Apple juice – over 4,000 gallons of it and since it takes 3.5 apples to make a cup (and there are 16 cups in a gallon) let’s count 229,000 apples worth for that.
• Then apple sauce – 82,416 cups at 3 apples / cup = 247,248 apples worth!
• Last but not least, apple pie – 39,312 individual pies each using one apple.

Grand total of apples: ~ 635,000, give or take one or two.