



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.

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