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These articles now serve as personal portfolio pieces only. Thank you for reading!

How To Have the Best Summer Picnic by Brianna Fox-Priest

Ever since I can remember I loved having picnics. Laying out a blanket, gathering my friends, and sharing lunch was always the best part. Even as an adult I still enjoy having picnics! It is not something you can only enjoy as a child, but can be enjoyed by everyone. This summer is the perfect time to find your picnic blanket and have your very own picnic with family and friends!



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Food: To me the more dishes and snacks you have the merrier! How you prepare is totally up to you. If you have time to make dishes get your Betty Crocker on girl! I typically will do half and half, I will make a light [Caprese salad](#), throw together a spring mix salad, and plate some summer veggies like cucumber and tomatoes. Things you can buy such as fresh fruit, dips, and ingredients to make small sandwiches are great if you are crunched on time.

Pick up a bottle of prosecco for a touch of elegance.



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Picnicware: You can find some really great and cute picnicware at target. I love these [pineapple tumblers](#) and the [Cath Kidston](#) collection featured in the pictures. Find your biggest blanket, and take a seat!



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Dessert: This is optional, but I always bring dessert options to my picnics. Think light and refreshing. You don't want to bring anything too heavy since it is hotter out, but you can try small petit fours, macarons, or if you have a cooler, some fruity popsicles. I like to whip up this

[Summer Fruits Cake](#) if I have time the day before, it's complete with fresh berries and an ombre effect inside!

Kick back and relax with friends, bring a good book, and enjoy your summer picnic!