

# SWISS CULTURE FROM HOME



## Early July 2022

Dear Friends of Switzerland,

We hope you are safe and well. Summer has fully arrived here in Washington, DC, which means a lot of us are trying to find ways to stay out of the heat. We have just the right program for you to cool down and as always, enjoy some Swiss culture from home. In this edition, you can find more information about the legalization of marriage equality in Switzerland as of July 1, an invitation to celebrate Switzerland's National Day with the Swiss Club of Washington, DC, and, lastly, a recipe offering a fresh taste of Switzerland.

Please continue to check our website, social media channels, and events calendar, where we are providing regular updates, for more cultural content. Have you found something we're missing? What would you like to see more of? Let us know—we would love to hear from you.

We hope you continue to enjoy, stay safe, & stay healthy!



Source: [GCN](#)

## In the News

### Marriage Equality in Switzerland

July 1, 2022, was an important day for equality in Switzerland as a new law legalizing same-sex marriage entered into force. Swiss voters backed the move in a nationwide referendum on September 26, 2021—in an example of Switzerland's practice of direct democracy. Same-sex couples can now marry or convert registered partnerships into marriages. The move follows years of advocacy, debate, and discussion in the country of 8.6 million.

Learn more [here](#).



Source: [Swiss Club of Washington, D.C.](#)

## Join Us!

### Celebrate Switzerland's National Day

**Saturday, July 30, 2022**

**Entry between 4:00 and 6:00 pm**

**Embassy of Switzerland**

**2920 Cathedral Ave NW,**

**Washington, DC**

**Tickets required**

After three years away, the Swiss Club of Washington, DC, will once again host its August 1st celebration on the grounds of the Embassy of Switzerland. There will be delicious Swiss food, wine and beer, music and entertainment, activities for all ages, and the ever popular Tombola and Super Raffle. To better enjoy the event, please bring lawn chairs, beach umbrellas, swimsuits for the pool, and sunscreen! This event will take place rain or shine. Due to ongoing construction at the Embassy, tickets are limited this year so early registration is highly encouraged. We hope to see you there!

Register and find details [here](#).

## Cuisine

### Getränkter

### Zitronenkuchen

(Adapted from [Betty Bossi](#))

*Getränkter Zitronenkuchen* is a much beloved and classic citrusy dessert in most Swiss kitchens and can be found at almost any summertime party. With the Swiss National Day celebrations approaching on August 1st, baking this Swiss lemon cake is the perfect opportunity to have a taste of Switzerland on the occasion.



Source: [Betty Bossi](#)

#### You will need:

1 cup	Butter, softened
1 ¼ cups	Sugar
1 pinch	Salt
4	Eggs
5	Lemons
2 cups	Flour
1 tsp	Baking powder
¼ cup	Powdered sugar

#### Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 350 °F.
2. In a mixing bowl, stir sugar and salt into the butter. Stir in one egg at a time, continuing to stir until the mixture is lighter in color. Grate the zest from three lemons and stir into the mixture as well.
3. In a separate bowl mix flour and baking powder, and add to the existing mixture. Pour the dough into a greased loaf pan.
4. Bake for about 1 hour in the lower half of the oven. Remove cake, allow to cool slightly, and pierce the top with a wooden skewer.
5. To make the glaze, squeeze two lemons, stir in the powdered sugar, and pour over cake.
6. Remove the cake from the pan and allow to cool on a rack.

Enjoy!

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