

Pies on Parade, An Inn to Inn Pie Tour

Historic Inns of Rockland Celebrate National Pie Day with two weeks of tastings and demonstrations, January 14 and 21.

Tuesday, January 23, marks National Pie Day, according to the American Pie Council. Because nothing tops a cold winter day like a warm piece of pie, the Historic Inns of Rockland will celebrate pie during the two weekends before the day, on Sunday, January 14 and 21. Each Sunday's pie celebration will take place from 1 to 4 p.m. as Historic Inns of Rockland's member inns feature homemade pies at the third Annual



The Dueling Inkeepers' Moms in action.

Pies on Parade Inn to Inn Tour. Along with a collection of recipes to take home as a keepsake and pie tastings, the inns will offer demonstrations about pie baking techniques and pie decorating. Weekend guests can look forward to breakfasts featuring egg pies and maybe even a dessert at breakfast, including pie a la mode. Each guest will receive their own individual pie upon arrival and, best of all, proceeds will benefit the Area Interfaith Outreach Food Pantry of Rockland.

Those visiting Historic Inns of Rockland during the January 14 and 21 Pies on Parade Inn to Inn Tour will be treated to such traditional pies as cherry, apple and berry. For those who care for something a little less traditional, pie such as Raspberry Cheese Pie, Kiwi Berry Tart or Sun Dried Tomato and Goat Cheese Breakfast Pie will be offered, along with their recipes, so tour goers can make them at home. A Maine Lobster Pie might even be on the menu.

Tickets for the Pies on Parade Inn to Inn Tour are \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 10 and under. Tickets sell out quickly, are available from participating inns and include

a keepsake pie cookbook, and plenty of pie to sample.

As a bonus, participating inns will offer the following demonstrations: Berry Manor Inn — fun ingredients for breakfast pies and fool-proof lattice crusts from the Dueling Innkeepers' Moms, who carry on a friendly fight throughout the year regarding the best pie-crust recipe; Captain Lindsey House — decorating with pie crusts and pie-crust embellishments; LimeRock Inn — savory pies and Rock City Roasters Limerock Blend coffee; Lakeshore Inn —

sweet potato pie as chiffon or dense custard, same pie, different results; and Old Granite Inn — "Not Your Grandmother's Chess Pie" and meat pie.

Participating inns may also offer additional special workshops or demonstrations.

Weekend packages including one-night accommodations, breakfast each morning, complimentary personal pie for each guest upon arrival, a cookbook featuring a collection of original pie recipes, along with two tickets to the Pies on Parade Inn to Inn Tour are \$160 to \$225 per couple. Two-night packages are also available.

For more information, visit www.HistoricInnsOfRockland.com, consult each participating inn's Web site or call 877-ROC-INNS (877-762-4667) for more information or reservations.

