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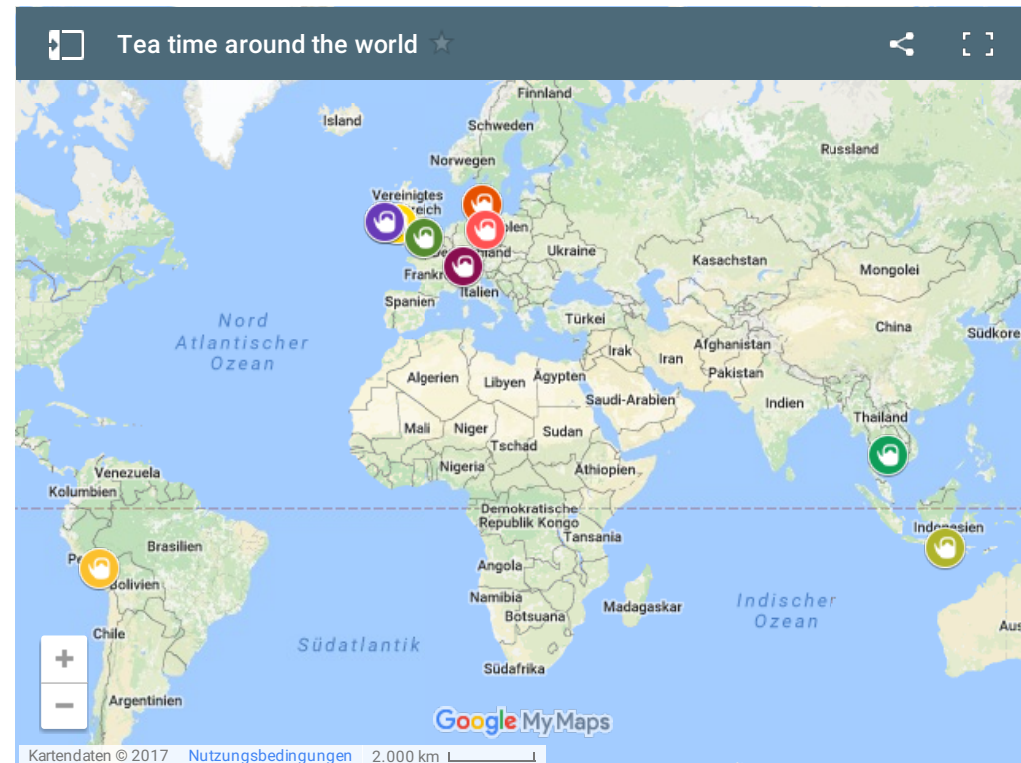
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Mothers around the world will enjoy afternoon tea at a wide range of places on Mother's Day, but it can be a great experience any time. Here are some places to check out as you travel.

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**THE BAUR AU LAC, ZURICH**

Set in the hotel's recently renovated Le Hall, [afternoon tea here](#) includes homemade scones, pastries, sandwiches, fresh clotted cream, and an assortment of freshly brewed loose-leaf teas from Switzerland's Länggass teahouse. This historic space has also welcomed Alfred Nobel, Marc Chagall and Richard Wagner through the years.

>> [Afternoon Tea at the Baur au Lac](#)

**D'ANGLETERRE, COPENHAGEN**

For a truly royal experience, The Grand Cuvee Package at the d'Angleterre serves Krug Grand Cuvee champagne alongside its [traditional afternoon tea](#). A selection of teas (and coffees) is prepared with traditional smoked salmon sandwiches, cakes, mini-quiches, tarts and gateaux. Champagne is paired with lavish delicacies such lobster and truffles. The hotel's Krug afternoon tea is served from 3 to 5 p.m.



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### **THE MERRION, DUBLIN**

The [Merrion in Dublin](#) offers an incredibly lavish Art Tea, for which the pastry chef creates decadent desserts inspired by 19th- and 20th-century artworks from Irish and British artists including J.B Yeats, William Scott and Louis le Brocq. On display throughout the hotel is the largest collection of private art in Ireland outside of the National Gallery.

### **THE MILESTONE, LONDON**

The five-star [Milestone Hotel](#), a quintessentially English mansion-hotel opposite Kensington Palace and Gardens, offers an Afternoon Tea that includes delicate finger sandwiches such as Smoked Scottish salmon and cream cheese, free-range egg mayonnaise and Hampshire watercress, Mull of Kintyre Cheddar and tomato, and chicken mayonnaise with chopped almonds, warm freshly baked scones served with Devonshire clotted cream and homemade strawberry preserves, as well as éclairs, tartlets and macarons. A selection of teas accompanies the meal, along with a bottle of champagne.

### **ASHFORD CASTLE, COUNTY MAYO, IRELAND**

The tradition of afternoon tea has been wonderfully preserved at the historic [Ashford Castle](#) since 1868 with a menu offering a wide selection of specialty teas or a glass of Champagne, delicate finger sandwiches, warm freshly baked scones with lashings of cream and home-made jam, plus pastries and cupcakes.

### **THE LODGE AT ASHFORD CASTLE, COUNTY MAYO, IRELAND**

The [Lodge at Ashford](#), a four-star hotel on the grounds of the Castle's 350-acre estate, offers its own Picnic Afternoon Tea menu, using ingredients sourced from the estate or local artisan suppliers. The savory basket includes Kelly's of Newport lamb sausage roll, Andarl Farm pork pie with apple jelly and Burren Smoke House Salmon with Dillisk Cream Cheese. Salads include red cabbage and fennel slaw, Kilmaine potato salad and organic leaves with a honey and mustard dressing. Crème Brûlée, tiramisu espresso and Bea Tollman's cheesecake will satisfy those with a sweet tooth, and a cool and refreshing ginger beer or iced tea are a perfect accompaniment to hot tea.

### **HOTEL ADLON KEMPINSKI, GERMANY**

At Berlin's landmark Hotel Adlon Kempinski, the [Royal Afternoon Tea service](#) in the brand-new Lobby Lounge & Bar and Bel Etage has been prepared for state heads, aristocrats, presidents and stars from all over the world. An array of savory and sweet classic tea accoutrements are served, sprinkled with a few classic German delicacies such as roast beef sandwiches and German profiterole.

### **INKATERRA MACHU PICCHU PUEBLO HOTEL, PERU**

Located in an intimate Andean village with terraced hills, waterfalls, stone pathways and 81 whitewashed adobe casitas tucked away in the cloud forest, Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel has a twist to the [classic afternoon tea](#) with guests picking fresh tea leaves, pressing it over wooden blocks and finally sealing their own tea bag at the property's organic tea plantation and tea house. After a long day of adventuring, enjoy a glass of fresh iced tea or cocktail with homemade pastries overlooking the surrounding forest.

### **AYANA RESORT AND SPA, BALI**

Afternoon tea is offered daily from 2 to 5 p.m. inside [Orchid](#), housed within a modern glasshouse, appointed with industrial details, recycled wood tables and an exotic collection of potted orchids. The space is an architectural masterpiece infused with warm natural light and showcasing views of the flowering gardens and rice fields beyond. Guests quench their thirst among a selection of green, black, flavored,

herbal, and oolong teas from Dilmah, a renowned international tea maker for over 60 years. Orchid's traditional afternoon tea is a contemporary fusion of Balinese and Western delicacies including fruit tartlets, sandwiches, and classic kue. Guests may choose from Orchid's hot Dilmah Tea Selection, gourmet coffees, fresh pressed juices, and refreshing ice teas including rosella, lychee and lemon ginger.

#### **SONEVA KIRI, THAILAND**

From 4 to 5 p.m. each day, guests at [Soneva Kiri](#) may book a unique high tea comfortably seated in a bamboo pod, gently hoisted into the tropical foliage of Koh Kood's ancient rainforest. Savor mouth-watering organic food and fine tea, delivered via the zip-line acrobatics of a personal waiter on Thailand's fourth largest but least populated island overlooking the Gulf of Thailand.

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