
Low and High Tea

Posted by Alex Heeley - 2008/08/04 03:59

Pardon my ignorance, but may I ask what's the basic difference between a low tea and a high tea? Thanks!

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Re:Low and High Tea

Posted by Lucy Bell - 2008/08/05 20:22

I believe the interpretation depends on which country you reside: UK or US. Yet, since the British were long here before the US, high tea is served with a full meal early in the evening around 5:00 or 6:00 p.m. Low tea is served in the late afternoon along with finger foods and is not considered a meal.

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Posted by Frieda Helmke - 2008/08/08 18:14

I have heard that the terms derived from where the tea was served. Low tea is served on a table associated with short legs, similar to a setting of a parlor that has comfortable chairs and settees for socializing. Conversely, high tea is served on a taller table used in kitchens for quick, consumption of meals to resolve hunger.

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