Happy St. Patrick’s Day

What do the Irish (in Ireland) eat on Paddy’s Day (which was traditionally more of a religious holiday)?

Not corn beef and cabbage – that’s Irish-American.

For Breakfast it’s likely to be... well... a traditional Irish breakfast...

Fried eggs

Irish “bacon” rashers
(more like ham, or “Canadian bacon”)

Sausage

Black pudding (blood sausage),
or White pudding (like black pudding, but without the blood)
Grilled tomatoes

Mushrooms

**Irish brown bread or buttery scones**

The Irish are famous for their butter. The Irish butter museum is in Cork, featuring 2000-year-old-butter found in an Irish bog.

**Tea**

For Lunch and Dinner it’s likely to be . . .

Leg or belly of lamb or loin of “bacon” (ham), roasted in the oven with rosemary and garlic . . . or shepherd’s pie

Potatoes and some other root vegetables

Or **Colcannon**

(cabbage or kale with mashed potatoes, etc., and butter and cream)

Peas and/or broccoli

**Irish white soda bread**

Hot apple tart served with custard and cream
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More information on the Irish and their Food is available on the class Ireland > Food WebPages.

**Have a Great St. Patrick’s Day!**

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