The British Picnic and the French Stick – an enduring love story

'What's inside it?' asked the Mole, wriggling with curiosity.

'There's cold chicken inside it,' replied the Rat briefly;

'coldtonguecoldhamcoldbeefpickledgherkinssaladfrenchrollscresssandwiches

pottedmeatgingerbeerlemonadesodawater—-'

'O stop, stop,' cried the Mole in ecstacies: 'This is too much!'

Wind in the Willows

It's a great British tradition - any sporting occasion in the summer or just a trip to the park involves a picnic. And it wouldn't be a picnic without a lovely crusty baguette. Easy to break up and share, delicious with just about anything.

The Tiptree World Bread Awards with Brook Food, the Oscars of the bread world, are seeking the nation's very best baguette for the Carr's Flour Baguette category.

As we all know, the baguette is a great French invention with several stories about its origins including that Napoleon decreed the loaf should be made precisely to fit in a soldier's pocket!

But it has been adopted with huge love and enthusiasm across the Channel and Carr's Flour Mills, founded in 1831, are delighted that their own historic brand sponsors this iconic category.

Simon Cheek, of Carr's Flour Mills, who is on the Judging Panel alongside Richard Bertinet and Henry Herbert, says, "We're proud to play our part in upholding this rich heritage for ours and future generations."

So dust the flour from your hands, there's still plenty of time to register your entry https://www.worldbreadawards.com/competition/entry/

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Editors' Notes:

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